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Solutions sought to school violence

Parental involvement necessary, officials say

By Alene Hill
Staff writer

Collinsville High School Principal Ron Ganschietz is all too familiar with school violence. He knows about it first hand. Ganschietz was an assistant principal at CHS 21 years ago when he was shot by a student who had been suspended.

"It was a serious incident that caused us to examine what we do (about violence)," Ganschietz said. "As a result, the Collinsville Unit 10 School District now has 'zero-tolerance'."

"Zero-tolerance" means that students who bring weapons or drugs to school or who commit violent acts are expelled from the district. The practice was among possible solutions to school violence discussed by the Education Safety Task

Force, a series of meetings scheduled by state lawmakers studying school violence.



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Force, a series of meetings scheduled by state lawmakers studying school violence. Ganschietz, who is also president of the Illinois Principals, was among educators, law officials and counselors from both Madison and St. Clair counties who joined four Illinois state representatives at CHS Monday for the meeting.

"We're here to learn from those who know about the problem — students, law enforcement, counselors and the youth," said state Rep. Jay Hoffman, D-Collinsville, chairman of the task force.

Joining Hoffman were state Reps. Thomas Holbrook D-Bellefonte, Dan Reitz, D-Steeleville, and Steve Davis, D-Bethalto. Ganschietz told lawmakers that school violence today is more random, a stark difference to his shooting 21 years ago. In his case, Ganschietz said that the suspension — a specific event — had sparked a retaliatory action. Other participants talked about the prevalence and nature of violence, as well as some possible solutions. Skip Bennett, director of the Southern Illinois Law Enforcement Council, Edwardsville Police Chief Ben Dickmann and O'Fallon Police Chief Don Slazink, addressed the programs law enforcement officers have used to curb violence.

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Young graduates

Pontoon Beach Police Lt. Dan McKinney shows the children from the Pontoon Beach Family and Community Services Head Start Class his police dog, Diablo. At right, Diablo, a white German shepherd, has been with the department for 14 years and will be retiring soon. The Head Start children gathered in Horseshoe Lake State Park for a graduation party last week. Above, Long Lake Firefighter Brian Hamilton tells the children of Pontoon Beach FCS Head Start about the department's truck while Ryan Hootenpyle, 4, tries on a helmet.

EPA turning Superfund cleanup over to private companies to do

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

The Superfund cleanup of contaminants in the Granite City area should continue as usual after private companies take over decontamination duties, EPA officials say.

Environmental Protection Agency officials visited the area Thursday and Friday last week to update residents on the NL Industries-Taracorp Superfund site cleanup's progress and answer any questions they had. About a dozen people attended the open meeting Friday night in Granite City Hall.

EPA officials announced that they will be turning cleanup efforts over to the companies that contaminated the soil. Those companies would in the long run be able to save money, said Brad Bradley, one of the EPA's remedial project

managers for this area. "We prefer they do the cleanup themselves," he said. For example, the incentives for NL Taracorp, now owned by Metallico, to assume cleanup duties includes lower labor costs because the company doesn't have the same labor plus, the company won't have as much to repay the EPA.

So far, the EPA has spent \$38 million on the cleanup, all of which it expects to recoup from the responsible companies, Bradley said. That figure would be much higher if the EPA completed the cleanup itself.

"We have a requirement that the work will be conducted as it is now," Bradley said. "We have a work plan, a sampling plan and a quality insurance

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Lead paint survey slated

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

While the EPA's cleanup of smelter stack emissions is more than half complete, officials are turning their attention to lead contamination inside the home.

At a public meeting in Granite City Hall Friday night, EPA officials announced their intention to survey all of the at least 2,500 homes in the cleanup zone in Granite City.

Madison, Venice and Eagle Park Acres that may have lead-based paint contamination inside the house.

Sheri Bianchin, one of the EPA's remedial project managers for this area, said that when the lead cleanup began, the EPA had received some comments and criticism from residents who thought the agency wasn't dealing with the problem of lead-based paint.

"We have a lot of older homes in this area, and we do know and realize there are a lot of lead-based paint properties," she said.

"Although we're not really responsible under the Superfund to deal with private residences, we still understand

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Residents aim for safe driving

County group seeks to bolster seat belt enforcement

By Bethany Behrhorst
Staff writer

The Madison County Traffic Safety Coalition wants to do something about the surge in fatal car accidents and crashes in the area over the last year alone.

Taking matters into its own hands, the Coalition hopes to convince law enforcement officials and members of the community throughout Madison County that something can be done. By making it legal to pull individuals over for not wearing their seat belts, driving fatalities have decreased in many suburban Chicago areas.

"It has been proved that in areas that have primary seat belt laws, crime rates go down and serious injuries and

"In areas that have primary seat belt laws, crime rates go down and serious injuries and fatality rates drop."

Julie Elmdendorf
Coordinator, Madison County Traffic Safety Coalition

fatality rates drop," said Julie Elmdendorf, coordinator for the Madison County Traffic Safety Coalition. "Naturally, those are the kinds of results we want. Madison County has a high fatality rate and we definitely want to bring it down."

Elmdendorf said the plan has

the support of the Madison County Board, but needs law enforcement and community support to take the issue to the next level.

Madison County currently practices secondary enforcement. This means law enforcement officers can ticket a driver or passenger for not wearing a seat belt if the driver the vehicle first is pulled over for reckless driving, speeding, driving under the influence or any other notable offense.

The goal of the Coalition is to change existing rules by passing a countywide ordinance calling for primary enforcement, which means individuals can be pulled over simply for not wearing a seat

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EPA offers minority job training

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

The Environmental Protection Agency took advantage of new federal money to train local people in Superfund cleanup.

The Superfund Training Jobs Initiative was held this spring at OHM Remediation Services Corp. facilities and at Belleville Area College, in conjunction with DePaul University. Almost all of the students were from Granite City, Venice and Madison.

Noemi Emeric, the EPA's community involvement coordinator, said that under new legislation, the EPA was able to provide job training.

The money went only to minority students between ages of 18 and 25, she said. The EPA had no control over that rule, so DePaul made money available for other students to enter the program.

"We trained 26 students. Twenty-three got the full training, which included lead abatement, 40 hours of

"Once the students are trained, they would be able to work at the Superfund site if they got hired by the contractor doing the cleanup."

Noemi Emeric
Community involvement
coordinator

haz-mat (hazardous materials) training, life skills training, mathematics training," she said. "Once the students are trained, they would be able to work at the Superfund site if they got hired by the contractor doing the cleanup."

Thirteen have been hired so far, and five more were in the job-hiring process, she said. Many of the students came out of the Lincoln Technical Center in Venice.

"A lot of the students were

happy they got the training," Emeric said. "Eight of them now are working on the cleanup, and seven to nine were hired by Onsite Environmental out of St. Louis, and one person was hired by a construction company in East St. Louis," she said.

The program can be done again, she said, but it can only happen if there is enough community interest. Getting the word out will be the hardest part. The job training program was publicized mainly through the EPA's 1,700-person mailing to residents telling them about last week's meetings.

Don Garrett, Madison County Board member from the Madison Venice area, said because of that, most people were unaware of the program. He said he himself handed out flyers to residents.

Emeric hoped Garrett and every other community leader could serve as a contact between the EPA and the community for the jobs training and any other future programs.



Graduation

The Pontoon Beach Family and Community Services Head Start program workers and participants gathered at Horseshoe Lake State Park for a graduation party last week. Above, Kody Gean, 4, Aaron Judeman, 4, and Kyle Webb, 5, sat in the Long Lake Fire Department's truck. At right, 5-year-old Ginger Cotter and her 3-year-old brother Dillon watch Pontoon Beach police dog Diablo. Diablo, a white German shepherd, has been with the department for 14 years and will be retiring soon.



John Frese photos

Lead-based paint survey planned

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it's a risk and want to try to address that."

The EPA does have, under a pilot program, \$200,000 to go toward doing something about the paint in the Superfund area. The agency wants to survey all of the homes in the Superfund area — which will use up all or most of the money — to put priorities on the worst-case homes. Other funding would then be sought to handle the problem, she said.

"This is a very methodical method of going home by home," she said.

Those companies responsible for contamination in the Superfund area have stiff penalties against them because they didn't immediately work with the EPA, Bianchin said.

"We want to defer some of those penalties if they are willing to do an environmental project in the area," she said. The EPA and the companies are close to working out a deal where millions would be used for the survey project.

The EPA is also seeking the cooperation of local agencies

such as Madison County Community Development, she said, and well as the Madison County Health Department to help educate people about lead problems.

The EPA also wants to find the worse cases as soon as possible. Usually bad cases are identified through blood lead screening tests children receive in school, she said, but if residents know they have a problem, they should contact the EPA as soon as possible.

Granite City officials have been strongly vocal over the past years, said Ed Fitzhenry, assistant city attorney. "The \$2 million for the lead remediation program ... came about through the direct litigation and intervention efforts by the city in conjunction with the PRP Generating group," he said. The city has maintained for years that lead paint is a principal component of blood lead levels in children, and the city was largely responsible for the money to be used in the lead paint program. Bianchin acknowledged that effort and said they used that argument when getting approval for the program. The

lead-paint survey will be the first of its kind, she said. The EPA and Granite City are no longer adversaries over the lead-based paint problem, Fitzhenry said.

Identifying which homes will be given priority will be based mainly on the absolute need, Bianchin said, but how exactly has yet to be determined. The survey will be initiated as soon as possible.

For information call Brad Bradley and Sheri Bianchin, at (312) 886-4742 or (312) 886-4745 respectively, or call Noemi Emeric at (800) 621-8431.

Private sector to finish Superfund cleanup

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plan that will be attached to the original agreement, so that basically what will be done in the future is what is being done today."

The EPA will still have oversight over the cleanup, he said.

For the present, OHM Remediation Services will continue to perform residential

property cleanups, Bradley said, but just under a different funding source. To date, more than 775 residential properties have been cleaned, with another 450 waiting to be cleaned by the deadline of June 30, 1999.

Also, the EPA has cleaned approximately 100 yards and alleys in Venice and Eagle Park Acres, where battery chips were used as fill

material. Bradley also said cleanup should begin soon on the Taracorp pile, which needs to be capped as soon as possible.

"It will probably take a full construction year to work on the pile," Bradley said.

The pile will be covered with a synthetic material and dirt and possible plants. If the cap works, contaminated dust won't escape and rain water would be diverted from the pile instead of mixing with it and the ground water, Bradley said.

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News

White-collar crime targetted

Multi-agency team probes costly crimes

(Editor's note: This is the first of two articles examining the Illinois State Financial Crimes Task Force.)
By Dennis Grubaugh
Staff writer

Three years ago, no one had heard of the Illinois State Police Financial Crimes Task Force.

Today, Dennis L. Dorris probably wishes he never had. The unique law enforcement team is at the heart of the investigation of Dorris, the 52-year-old Joliet Shores man accused of using company money to buy himself more than a half-million dollars in goods and services while he was vice president of operations at Alter Barge Line in Bethalto.

The Dorris case is considered white-collar crime, a problem that annually costs companies and their insurers a fortune, according to Lt. Terry Wubker, who heads the task force's Springfield operations.

"The loss per year in insurance is in the billions," he said.

The task force was formed in October 1995 to investigate embezzlement, insurance fraud, exploitation of the elderly and money laundering. "It's kind of a unique unit," Wubker said.

Before the formation of the

task force, whenever the State Police needed expertise in a field outside their agency, like insurance or auditing, they had to take the time and effort to track down a source.

Now, many of those sources are part of the team, which is made up of 10 sworn State Police troopers and 13 people representing numerous state and federal agencies.

The task force is represented by:

The Illinois Attorney General's Office

Illinois Department of Children and Family Services

Illinois Department of Public Aid

The State Appellate Prosecutor's Office

The Office of the Inspector General

Illinois Department of Insurance

Illinois Department of Natural Resources

The FBI in Springfield

The Postal Inspector's Office in Chicago

And the Internal Revenue Service, as needed.

Not all agencies have a body on the task force. Some come and go or lend expertise when called upon.

Wubker said the force is involved in investigations in most of Illinois' 102 counties.

The task force replaced a fraud and forgery unit that

was last active in the 1960s as part of the Department of Criminal Investigation. That agency was merged into the State Police and the fraud unit folded.

Once word spread of the task force's implementation it didn't take long to rack up the cases, he said.

Sgt. Gary Leming said if the Dorris investigator in Madison County was the only one he was working, he could have it done in a month.

"I'm working 10 cases of a similar nature, so (Dorris) will probably take closer to six months," he said.

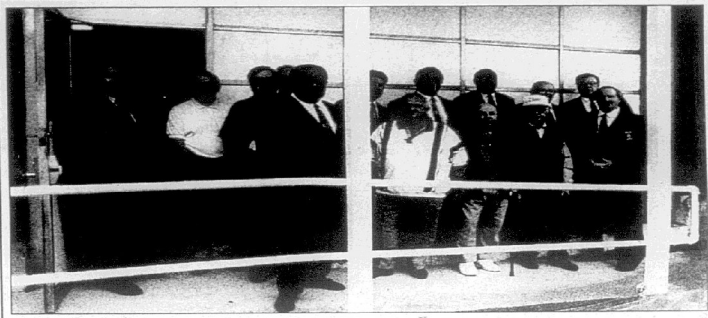
In its 2½ years, the task force has managed to stay low-key, mainly because its cases are the sort that people don't envision as criminal.

"White-collar crime is not a crime against persons, so you don't get the (press)," Leming said.

"But we all end up paying for it," he added, using as an example the case of Alter Barge, which he said collected a huge insurance payment for its alleged losses.

"High insurance premiums will cost the barge line more, and they'll just pass the costs on (to the consumer)," Leming said.

Sunday: How the task force works.



Grand opening

Various city and county officials gathered in Madison on a wet Monday morning to open the new Madison County Probation Office located at the old city hall on Third Street. The new facility, joining another new probation office in East Alton, will be a major improvement for both probation officers and the people they serve. Chief Probation Officer Herb Clay will head the dozen or so probation officers working out of the new location.

John Fresse photo

Madison man faces felony charges

News Briefs

Special Madison City Council meeting tonight

A Madison man was in custody and facing additional felony charges after resisting arrest June 3.

Jermaine Smith, 23, of the 1400 block of Third Street, Madison, was arrested Wednesday by Madison police at his home.

Smith was wanted by Madison police on three separate counts of resisting arrest, and one count of aggravated assault.

He was charged with three additional counts of resisting arrest, and on Thursday, three counts of aggravated battery.

Bond on the three new felony charges was set at \$90,000. Smith was in the Madison County Jail as of Friday.

A special meeting has been set for 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 10 to discuss and act on ordinances setting new rates for Madison's utility tax.

The rate changes are necessary because of recent legislation deregulating utilities.

Because rates are expected to fall dramatically, that would mean a decrease in income for municipalities relying on utility taxes. To correct the problem, the deregulation legislation includes formulas for converting the utility taxes to a usage-based proportional rate.

However, Illinois Power officials said in running numbers—there are some cases where the change in the rate structure will affect the tax revenues. Factors such as a larger industrial or commercial base could create that situation.

Electric rates are expected to fall by 15 percent on Aug. 1, so municipalities must have changes in place by then.

Summer programs offered in Venice parks, library

Venice children will be able to take advantage of summer programs offered by the park district and library.

New summer hours, a reading program and computer classes are among programs being offered by the Venice Public Library.

"Dive Into Books," a summer reading program for children 3-12 years old, will begin at 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 1, with a magician and continue for four weeks.

The library is also planning classes on using the internet and computers beginning June 30.

Classes are open to children, teens and adults. The time has not been set for the classes, but afternoon and evening classes will probably be offered.

Library hours will be from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. The library is closed on Monday.

The library is located at 325 Broadway.

The Venice Park District is sponsoring a summer recreation program for children 11 years old.

The program will run from July 6-Aug. 7.

Registration for the program will be from 2 to 5 p.m. July 1 and July 2.

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News

Obituaries

Elbert Cochran

Elbert J. COCHRAN, 87, of Alton died at 3:10 a.m. Friday, June 5, 1998. A former Granite City resident, he was born April 3, 1911, in Hickory Ridge.



Mr. Cochran worked as a carpenter for Union Starch in Granite City for 50 years before retiring in 1973. He was a life-long member of Bethel Chapel in Granite City.

Survivors include his son, Ronald Cochran of Alton; his daughter, Verla Klug of Alton; two stepsons, Dwain and Ronnie Hall, both of Kansas City, Mo.; his brother, Cleus Cochran of Collinsville; his sister, Golda Dickey of Granite City; eight grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; six step-grandchildren; five step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Frances Marjorie (Burklow) Cochran, who died Aug. 10, 1989; his parents, William and Lula (Bunell) Cochran; three brothers, Robert, Virgil and Roy Cochran; and five sisters, Agnes and Clara Cochran, Edna Woods, Ruth Brown and Edith Hewitt.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. today, Sunday, at Irwin Chapel, 3960 Maryville Road, Granite City.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, June 8, at Bethel Chapel, 25th and Ohio streets, Granite City, with the Rev. Leon Bell officiating.

Burial will follow at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon. Memorials may be made to the Bethel Chapel.

Francis Clark Jr.

FRANCIS J. "FRANK" CLARK JR., 48, of Granite City died Monday, June 8, 1998, at his residence.

Mr. Clark was born March 7, 1952, in Ridley Park, Penn. He was a retired truck driver and a member of the Presbyterian faith.

Survivors include his sister, Barbara Duval of Granite City. He was preceded in death by his parents, Francis and Marianne (Klotz) Clark Sr.

Services are at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 10, at Davis Funeral Home in Granite City with the Rev. Dr. Lewis E. Trotter officiating. Burial will be in St. John Cemetery in Granite City.

Memorials may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, 600 South Federal St., Chicago, Ill. 60605.

Richard Schneider

RICHARD H. SCHNEIDER, 68, of Granite City died Sunday, June 7, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He was born in St. Louis.

Mr. Schneider retired from Granite City Steel. He was a member of Concordia Lutheran Church and Elks Lodge 1063, was a former Democratic Precinct Committeeman, was on the Madison County Execu-

tive Board, was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, and served as staff sergeant during the Korean Conflict. Survivors include his wife, Evelyn (Wilson) Schneider; one son, Scott Schneider of Edwardsville; one brother, Ralph Schneider of Collinsville; one sister, Lucille Berendy of Knoxville, Tenn.; and two grandchildren, Tim Schneider and Kristina Schneider, both of Edwardsville.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Herman and Johanna (Schrage) Schneider.

Services were Monday, June 8, at Davis Funeral Home in Granite City, with the Rev. Michael Hart officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Edwardsville.

Memorials may be made to Concordia Lutheran Church.

Angie Moosehegan

ANGIE MOOSEHEGAN, 63, of Granite City died Sunday, June 7, 1998, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Ms. Moosehegan was born Dec. 21, 1934, in Granite City. She was retired from Union Starch in engineering dept. as a secretary, and a member of the Nidringhaus United Methodist Church and retired from Central States Diversi-

Survivors include her two sisters, Quenie Dadian of Bentonsford, Iowa and Margie Kopp of Maryland Heights, Mo.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Victoria (Aasli) Moosehegan; one brother, Oscar Moosehegan; and two

sisters, Paris "Pat" Ninker and Anne Metz.

Services will be 6:30 p.m. today, Wednesday, June 10, at Nidringhaus Methodist Church in Granite City, with the Rev. Gary Motta officiating. Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Thursday, June 11, at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials may be made to the American Kidney Foundation of Nidringhaus.

Irwin Chapel handled the arrangements.

Elvia Brown-Downs

ELVIA L. BROWN-DOWNS, 87, of Granite City died Sunday, June 7, 1998, at Edwardsville Care Center East, in Edwardsville.

Mrs. Brown-Downs was born March 20, 1911, in Cumberland City, Tenn. She was a member of the Calvary Hill Pentecostal Church in Tennessee Ridge, Tenn.

Survivors include her two sons, Lloyd Brown of Granite City, and Jimmy Brown of Tennessee Ridge, Tenn.; one sister, Viola Young of Granite City; five grandchildren, Sharon Kays, David Brown, Pamela Hines, Michael Brown and Deanna Schmidt; six great-grandchildren; and one grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James Brown; parents, Martin and Ida (Mathis) Guggell.

Services were Tuesday, June 9, at Werner Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. Harold Maynard officiating. Burial will be 11 a.m. today, Wednesday, June 10, at Hilbreth Cemetery in Carlisle, Tenn.

Youth life skills program to be offered

The Illinois National Guard is now taking applications for the Lincoln's Challenge Program, a 17-month military-molded life skills program for youth.

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In the first five months of the program, students live at the Lincoln's Challenge facility in Rantoul, Ill. Subjects include General Equivalency Diploma classes, life skills training, computer training and job skills training.

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If the hose is beyond repair, cut off a few short sections before pitching it. They'll come in handy if you need to stake newly-planted trees.

Father's Day is coming up, and if you're wondering what to get Pop, here's a thought. When he's not around, check out the garden tools. If any are in need of replacement, there's your gift. They're in great shape? How about a brand new type of tool, one that he doesn't own?

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Property sale set for June 23 at Price

The Defense Reutilization and Marketing Offices at Scott Air Force Base and the Charles Melvin Price Support Center, Granite City, will conduct a sealed bid sale of excess/surplus government property on Tuesday, June 23. Property will be available for inspection of June 18, 19 and 22 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Property will be located at DrMO AFB and Granite City. For more information call DRMO Scott at 225-8004.

Senior program plans trip to Mississippi

Gaze into the past this summer while enjoying the beauty of the south on a four-day trip to Mississippi sponsored by Bellevue Area College's Programs and Services for Older Persons. From August 3-6, spend two days in Jackson, Miss., before moving on to Vicksburg, Miss., for another two days of exploring fragments of America's past. While in Jackson, you'll visit historic sites such as the Governor's Mansion and the Oaks House. Also included on the list of places-to-go is the Mississippi Delta Pavilion, where you'll experience the "Splendors of Versailles" in an exhibit featuring more than 150 treasures from the

world-famous castle. The Versailles exhibit will be displayed only in the United States, and it is being shown exclusively in Jackson.

More history awaits in Vicksburg where the schedule of activities includes tours of historic sites such as the National Military Park, where the Siege of Vicksburg took place. The Vicksburg House, which was built during the Civil War. Enjoy lunch at the March Vicksburg House, and explore the history behind the 10,000 artifacts stored within the Old Courthouse Museum. The cost for the entire tour

is \$430 per person for a double occupancy hotel room or \$550 per person for a single room.

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News

Sheriff promotes several officers

Madison County Sheriff Bob Churchich has promoted several deputies in the wake of recent and planned retirements within the department.

"The promotions were made in response to several officers retiring from service under the Early Retirement Incentive recently enacted in Madison County," he said in a statement. "Many of the retiring officers were ranking officers and their positions required replacements."

Those officers promoted are: Donald H. Spaul, 54, of Godfrey, promoted to the rank of captain as the chief of detectives. Spaul has served in the department for 23 years.

Stephen P. Nonn, 46, of Granite City, promoted to the rank of lieutenant and serves in the Investigation Division as a supervisor. Nonn is a 25-year veteran.

Leonard D. Suhre, 46, of Alhambra, was promoted to the rank of lieutenant and will continue to serve as a supervisor in the Investigation Division.

Division. Suhre has been with the Sheriff's Department for 25 years.

Donald F. Bunt Jr., 42, of East Alton, was promoted to the rank of lieutenant and will serve as a patrol division shift commander. Bunt has served for 16 years.

Russell L. Gentry, 42, of Bethalto, promoted to the rank of lieutenant and will also serve as a patrol division shift commander. Gentry has served for 19 years.

Joseph R. Rheinecker Jr., 43, from St. Jacob, was promoted to the rank of lieutenant and will continue to serve as the Sheriff's Department liaison officer with Triad High School. Rheinecker has been with the Sheriff's Department for 21 years.

Herman R. Weissenborn, 44, from Granite City, was promoted to the rank of sergeant in the Investigation Division. Weissenborn has served for 21 years.

Michael A. Stalcoff, 43, from Granite City, promoted to the

rank of sergeant in the Patrol Division and he has served for 17 years.

Melvin W. Doubet, 50, of Hamel, promoted to the rank of sergeant in the Patrol Division. Doubet has served for 19 years.

Christopher A. Bardill, 34, of Highland, also promoted to the rank of sergeant in the Patrol Division. Bardill has served in the department for 10 years.

Otis L. Pinkard, 51, from Wood River, was promoted to the rank of sergeant and is assigned to the State's Attorney Assistance Program within the Sheriff's Department dealing with process matters on family and divorce cases. Pinkard has been with the Sheriff's Department for 20 years.

Edwin T. Wiegars, 45, from Collinsville, promoted to the rank of sergeant in the Prisoner Transportation Division of the department. Wiegars has served for 19 years.

Frequency of salmonella poisonings rising in country

By Paul Mackie
Staff writer

The current outbreak of salmonella poisoning, which includes one Madison County case, is nothing new.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration estimated that four million cases of salmonellosis, including 1,500 to 2,500 in Illinois, occur each year in the United States.

Salmonellosis occurrences appear to be rising in both the United States and other industrialized nations. The past decade saw a dramatic rise, particularly in the northeast United States, but sporadic outbreaks are spreading south and west.

Salmonella is a rod-shaped, moving form of bacteria that can be found in anything from

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John Lumpkin
Illinois Department of Public Health

poultry and swine to water, soil, insects and kitchen surfaces.

The term salmonellosis is the disease caused by the bacteria and is often mistaken for "stomach flu."

Symptoms, which usually appear within 12 to 36 hours after contact with the bacteria, include headache, muscle aches, diarrhea, vomiting, abdominal cramping, chills, fever, nausea and dehydration.

"Most susceptible to the bacteria are children younger than 1 year old and people who

have had ulcer surgery, take antacids or have a weakened immune system," said John Lumpkin, state public health director for the Illinois Department of Public Health.

It is believed AIDS patients suffer salmonellosis 20 times more frequently than the general population.

Salmonellosis is treated with fluids and pain relievers. In most cases, individuals infected by the bacteria don't require treatment with an antibiotic.

The bacteria is found in a variety of foods including raw meats, eggs, fish, shrimp, frog legs, yeast, coconut, sauces and salad dressings, cake mixes, cream-filled desserts and toppings, dried gelatins, peanut butter and cocoa. The bacteria can be passed to another if hygiene and hand-washing habits are inadequate.

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News

Lawmakers, administrators, community leaders study school violence

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Dickmann pointed to the Edwardsville School District's school resource officer program as a complement to the Drug Abuse Resistance Education program.

Collinsville Police Officer Dan Hopkins is an SRO at CHS. He characterized the SRO program as a "proactive approach that heads off problems."

"We got this going, not in response to a bad incident, but to avoid them," he said.

Hopkins said the program works. He cited preliminary numbers at the high school that showed a 20 percent decrease in the number of referrals for disciplinary action during this school year.

Slaznik and Bennett agreed with the importance of SRO programs in schools.

"I also think sharing of information is critical, most critical (between schools and law enforcement)," Slaznik said. "Teachers need to know

if a student has been involved in domestic violence or are suicidal."

Sending a student to an alternative school as a consequence for weapon and drug violations was discussed by Madison County Regional Superintendent of Schools Harry Briggs and St. Clair County Superintendent of Schools Jed Deets. Phillip Sandbach, director of the Madison County Alternative School, and Cullen Cullen, administrative assistant to Briggs, also were present to provide information about possible state funding for alternative education.

"We have problems funding the facilities to provide (alternative schools)," Briggs told lawmakers. "(Alternative schools) are effective, but costly."

St. Clair County State's Attorney Bob Haida and Madison County State's Attorney Bill Haine both spoke to the panel about the need for parental involvement to prevent school violence.

"The vast majority of

parents and teachers care about the students," Haine said. "But we find ourselves in a culture with a peculiar fascination with violence."

Dickmann blasted what he called a "sardonic humor and laughter at the expense of others," a practice perfected in television scripts, as dialogue that now is considered standard in everyday conversations.

"I think we need to re-evaluate verbal communication and the spoken words that can be destructive even by educators," Dickmann said.

Everett Stuckey, an East St. Louis teacher and an Illinois Federation of Teachers member, agreed. Stuckey cited the result of such behavior: "What I see now that I didn't see before is a blatant disrespect for authority in young students from kindergarten to sixth grade." Sallie Clark, an Edwardsville Middle School teacher and member of the Illinois Education Association, said even parental involvement

cannot always solve the problem.

"Teachers feel as if they are on the battlefields and in the trenches," Clark said. "So often our hands are tied in dealing with the problems."

But Paris Ervin, a recent CHS graduate who worked as a peer mediator, said students can help themselves and each other. She spoke about programs that would provide training for peer mediators in all schools.

The program allows students to explain their side of a

situation whether it is a personality conflict or a difference of opinion and gives them the chance to provide a solution.

"I think students want to sit and talk about the problems before they do something stupid," she said.

Educators and law enforcement both hailed the meeting as an opportunity to see the problem of school violence from a variety of perspectives.

Linda Frutiger, coordinator of Collinsville's Citizens

Opposing Drugs Effectively, said the different input was similar to a group of people who are blindfolded and feeling an elephant.

"Everyone has a different part of the elephant and describes it differently," she said. "We need to hear from everyone to do something about this. The answer for violence in schools will come from senior citizens, as well as the business community... everyone pitching in with their different perspectives."

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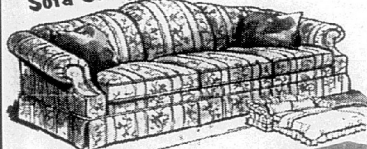
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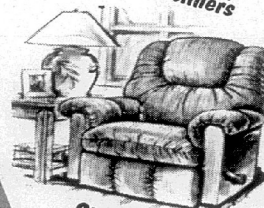
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County residents seeking
safer driving practices

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belt, even if no other problem exists.

Driving fatalities cause more than just heartache for families and loved ones. Elmendorf said all accidents, especially fatal ones, can cause higher automobile insurance rates.

"We have the second highest insurance rate in Illinois," Elmendorf said.

Madison County falls second only to Cook County.

In some states, primary enforcement is already in effect. In those states, the number of drivers reported wearing seat belts has been much higher than previously reported without it.

Before it became law in Louisiana, only 50 percent of

drivers were reported to wear seat belts. Primary enforcement was placed into effect in 1995 and the percentage of drivers wearing seat belts increased to 68.

"If we can get all the municipalities in Madison County to do this, that will show we have a lot of support," Elmendorf said. "We have to take it one municipality at a time."

The Coalition has the support of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the National Traffic Safety Board.

"Let's commit ourselves to wearing seat belts on every trip, ensuring that everyone who rides in our cars is buckled up and that all children age 12 and under ride in the back seat in properly installed restraints appropriate for their age and size," said Mike Witter from the NHTS office.

"Remember, too, never place a rear-facing infant seat in front of an air bag. Drivers and front seat passengers should maintain at least a 10-inch distance between themselves and their air bag."

"While we cannot always avoid a crash, we can take the responsibility to do everything in our power to protect ourselves and our loved ones."

The first meeting with law enforcement agents about the possibility of passing an ordinance making primary enforcement a possibility in Madison County will be held at Fox Creek Golf Club on Thursday.

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News

Moolah Shrine Circus coming to Kiel Center

The Flying Vargas, the Royal Hanneford Elephants and Miss Gena the Teenage Juggling Genius will be among the acts at the annual Moolah Shrine Circus.

The 56th annual Moolah Shrine Circus is scheduled for June 18 through June 21 at the Kiel Center in downtown St. Louis.

Performances will be at 7:30 p.m. June 18, 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. June 19, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. June 20, and 1 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. June 21.

The 7:30 p.m. June 19 and 1 p.m. June 21 performances will be signed for the hearing impaired.

Reserved tickets are \$18, \$14, \$12 (plaza reserved) and \$10 (mezzanine reserved). General admission mezzanine tickets are \$8, with seating available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Tickets for the circus are on sale at the Kiel Center box office, 14th and Clark streets, and at the Moolah Shrine Office, 12545 Fee Road. Tickets also are available at all Capitol Tickets locations or by calling Dialtix at 989-8000.

The Flying Vargas family, from Mexico, has eight flying trapeze artists. Each troupe member is a highly accomplished athlete. Their routine features multiple somersaults.

The Royal Hanneford Elephants contain Asian elephants, an endangered species with fewer than 50,000 remaining in the wild. Tina is the star of the Royal Hanneford troupe.

Miss Gena the Teenage Juggling Genius is a fourth-generation performer and native of Grozny in Russia.

The 56th edition of the Shrine Circus will benefit the Moolah Shrine Temple. The Shriners operate children's hospitals in several cities, including St. Louis.

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NAACP Freedom Banquet Sunday

The Edwardsville Chapter of the NAACP will be holding its annual Freedom Banquet at 3 p.m. Sunday, June 14, at Mount Joy Baptist Church at the Cottonwood Mall in Glen Carbon.

Emil Jason, president of the chapter, said this year's theme is "Progress Through Education."

"The purpose of the banquet is to raise funds for scholarships for deserving students," Jason said.

The featured speaker will be state Sen. James F. Clayborne Jr., D-East St. Louis, and Edwardsville Mayor Gary Niebur is expected to provide the welcoming address, Jason said.

The event will be catered by Linda Franklin of Belleville. Tickets are \$20 each and may be purchased by calling Jason at 656-7399 or Vice President Winston Brown at 656-0611.

Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run Leg 4 June 16

By Mark Hodapp
Staff writer

This year's Illinois Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run for Leg No. 4 will start at 9:30 a.m. June 16 from Hart Food & Drug in O'Fallon. The torch run is the single largest fund raiser for the

Special Olympics, raising more than \$487,700 in 1997. In attendance this year will be police officers from 20 area police agencies, local dignitaries and area Special Olympic athletes. KSDK sports reporter Malcolm Briggs will be honored as this year's run grand marshal.

The Illinois State Police Motorcycle Patrol, along with O'Fallon Mayor Gary Graham, will lead the runners from Hart westbound on U.S. 50 to South Lincoln Avenue, northbound on Lincoln to State Street, and then west on State Street to U.S. 50, continuing west to Old Collinsville Road.

Day one of Leg No. 4 run will cover approximately 44 miles, and encompass eight participating agencies. Leg 4's total portion of the run is a three-day event, totaling approximately 85 miles and 20 area police agencies. The final leg of the run will

kick off at 4 p.m. from Bloomington-Normal Holiday Inn, ending at the Boone Student Center on the campus of Illinois State University. Police say the torch run has two goals: to raise funds and awareness for the Special Olympics. Call 624-4545.

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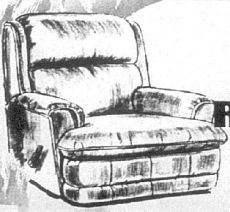


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State of fast-pitch softball

Edwardsville team leads local league, which is surviving through a 'phase'

With due respect to the Stallions, winners of the recent Dave Groh Memorial fast-pitch softball tournament at South Side Park in Belleville, it seems to me fast-pitch play will survive quite well if it continues to have an influx of players from the Edwardsville area.

You see, when the league resumed regular season action last week, the Outlaws of Edwardsville were in first place in the



Art Voellinger
Sports
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seven-team league, and two former Edwardsville High School athletes — Mike and Craig Suhre were responsible for the 5-1 league record. Both left-handed hitters, first baseman Mike and center fielder Craig have provided offensive and defensive support to the pitching of right-handers Mike Mitchell and Don Weiler.

"They are good athletes," veteran coach Noel Schott of the Belleville Eager Beavers said of the Edwardsville nucleus.

Meanwhile, I still had to ask Schott if the fast-pitch game that I've followed since I was a youngster is in trouble since the league no longer has two divisions and includes teams from St. Louis (the Mules) and Carbondale (the Southern Illinois Merchants).

"We're going through a phase," said Schott. "I've seen it before when we were having trouble getting young pitchers, but we also are having a problem getting some of the younger players."

"I don't know if the hitting or pitching is any better or worse than a year ago, but I do know that young players have to be patient with this game," said Schott. "There's no instant success."

Obviously, the challenge of facing a pitcher from a distance of 46 feet is not easy, but the Outlaws would seem to have a line to more success if they could woo others who have come through the Edwardsville High sports system.

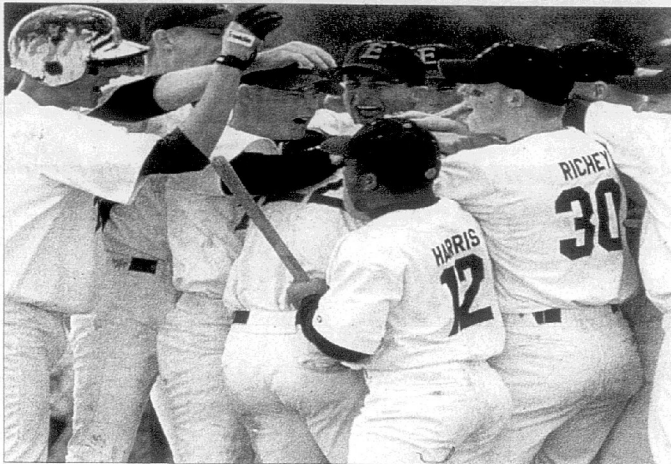
Extra innings

Teams trailing the Outlaws in a season plagued by rain postponements were: Mueh's 4-2, John D's 2-1, Southern Illinois Merchants 2-2, the Beavers 1-2, St. Louis Mules 2-4 and Belleville Merchants 0-4....

The Stallions rolled to five victories to capture the Groh and outscored opponents 27-2. Sponsored by John D's West End Grill, B Street Bar and Spring Valley Dental Group, the Stallions had two tourney MVP's in pitcher Ron Ames and catcher Mike Rakers....

The Stallions are the defending league and playoff champs of the City League which plays doubleheaders at 7 and 8:30 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday at South Side. Leroy Escher is the league president.

Schott, who also serves as the recreational director of the Beavers, said several of his players benefited from spring training in Cancun even though the players were prohibited from taking gloves on their trip.



Edwardsville celebrates during its 13-3 victory against Belleville East on Saturday.

John Swistak Jr. photo

Collinsville shuts out Mount Vernon

By Karen Vartanian
Staff writer

Collinsville High pitcher Charlie Johnson saved his best performance of the spring for the most opportune time.

Johnson, who has struggled at times this season, unfurled a one-hit complete game Saturday to lead the Kahoks (24-9) past Mount Vernon 9-0 in semifinal action at the Class AA Edwardsville Sectional.

"I've been struggling a little bit this year," said Johnson, who improved his record to 5-3. "But I've been throwing

Johnson hurls one-hitter vs. Rams

the ball really good in practice the last couple of weeks. I just got myself ready for the game."

Collinsville coach Steve McFall was extremely pleased with Johnson's outing.

"He's gone a little longer each of his last three or four starts," said McFall, whose unit was scheduled to play 36-0 Edwardsville for the sectional crown when weather allowed. "He's such a good pitcher but he just came to us out

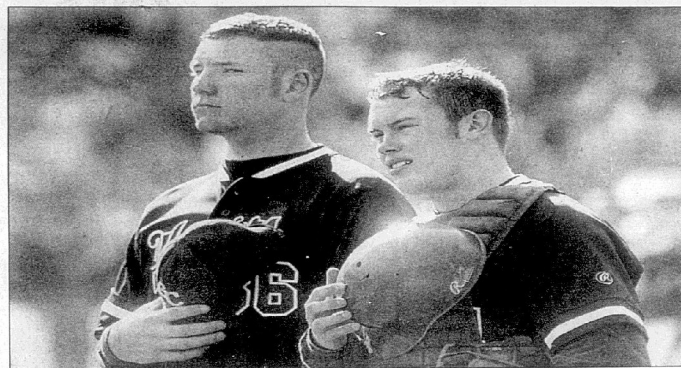
of shape and wasn't ready to pitch this year. And his starts the last few weeks have gotten longer and longer, and we just felt like we had to put him out there today. We know he's a good pitcher, but you still have to be in shape, and have to have your arm in shape. And he's gotten mentally tougher and got us a great win today."

Along with permitting just the one hit, Johnson fanned five and faced only three batters over the minimum. The

junior righthander allowed two runners to reach base in the same inning just once.

"He was in command today," McFall said. "He threw strikes, and when you throw strikes and you get pitches in the zone in good places, you're going to get out. And that's exactly what happened today. They have a good team and they have good hitters. We had scouted them. We knew that they were a very good team and knew we had to throw it in the right spots. And we did."

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Granite City seniors Dustin Brower (left) and Jeff Hayden came up big as the Warriors climbed from 6-11 to 16-14.

John Freese photo

Warriors finished strong after making adjustments

Granite City won 10 of final 13 games

By Bill Hester
Correspondent

It was time for a change for the Granite City basketball team after it struggled through the first half of the 1998

season with a 6-11 record.

So, Warriors coach Gus Lignoul made a couple of important defensive changes up the middle, moving senior Brian Kamadulski, who had been playing first base and designated hitter, to shortstop. And he brought up sophomore Kevin Elliott from the junior varsity team to play center field.

Those two moves helped solidify a shaky Granite City defense and the Warriors finished the season by winning 10 of their last 13 games for a 16-14 overall mark.

"This team should have won 20 games," Lignoul said. "But early in the year, we gave some games away because of our defense. We

made the changes and played well the rest of the way."

The turning point of the season came on a trip to Springfield when the Warriors were 6-11.

"We played a Springfield High School team, which came into the game with a 20-2 record," Lignoul said. "They had been averaging nine runs a game and we won the doubleheader by the scores of 9-1 and 4-1."

Paul Kacera pitched a complete game four-hitter in the opener while John Kelly and Dustin Brower combined on the victory in the second game.

"Those were big wins for us," Lignoul said. "That turned us around."

Granite City finished at 500 (6-6) in the Southwestern Conference. Four of those losses came against Edwardsville (twice) and

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Edwardsville ousts Lancers

Tigers score 10 unanswered runs

By Greg Shashack
Staff writer

Belleville East coach Dennis Schutzenhofer came to the Edwardsville Sports Complex on Saturday morning believing his team could knock off unbeaten Edwardsville.

He left wondering if any team can accomplish that task. "They've got enough to do it, boys," Schutzenhofer said after watching the Tigers dismantle his Lancers 13-0 in the semifinals of the Edwardsville Class AA Sectional. "They're pretty good."

East had put a scare into Edwardsville twice during the

regular season, taking early leads only to fall 6-3 and 14-10 in Southwestern Conference games. And while the Lancers did overcome a 2-0 deficit Saturday to tie the game at 3-3 after four innings, the Tigers responded by pounding East into submission.

Edwardsville, getting 13 of its 14 hits from the top six hitters in the lineup, put together a six-run fifth inning and added three more in the sixth to bury the Lancers.

"We were with them both games earlier," said Schutzenhofer, whose team closed the season at 24-6. "We weren't with them today." Edwardsville, ranked No. 6

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All-star contest slated for tonight

Madison's Baker among local players

By Bill Hester
Correspondent

There is usually not a lot of strategy involved in a high school all-star basketball game.

But if there is

any needed tonight by the National All-Star team, it will be handled by CBC coach Bob McCormack.

McCormack, who will be coaching a stellar cast of stars from around the country against a team of St. Louis area all-stars, will be assisted by KSDK-TV sportscaster and former DeSmet and University of Missouri St. Louis player Frank Cusumano.

"The only time Cusumano has used x's and o's in his

life is when he played tic-tac-toe," McCormack said.

As that statement would indicate, tonight's game is going to be fun.

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DOBB'S Cardinals Team of the Week



The Downtown Imprints U-12 girls soccer team members are (from left): In front — Lori Horan, Natalie Jameson, Katelyn Cleveland, Sarah Demaree; Middle — Meghan Massey, Alaina Lacopo, Cheryl Kuykendall, Lauren Stuart, Jessica Thebaud; In back — coach Lynda Bowers, Lori Harvey, Sara Stroud, Meghan Lewis, Stephanie Meier, Annie Meredith, and assistant coach Rick Demaree.

Downtown Imprints wins Jr. Irish tourney

The Downtown Imprints under-12 girls soccer team won the Junior Irish Memorial Day Tournament on the campus of Notre Dame in South Bend, Ind.

Downtown Imprints, playing at the school for the first time, reached the semifinal round with victories against teams from northwest Indiana (2-0); and Portage, Mich. (3-1); and ties against Coca-Cola of St. Louis (2-2); and the Palatine (Ill.) Emeralds (0-0).

In the semifinals, Downtown Imprints defeated a team from Crystal Lake, Ill., 3-1.

Downtown Imprints won the championship by beating the Penn Rowdies from

Pittsburgh, Pa., 2-1 in overtime in the final.

Downtown Imprints took a 1-0 lead in the first half and held that advantage until late in the second half, when the Rowdies scored off a penalty kick.

In overtime, Downtown Imprints scored about three minutes into the first of two five-minute overtimes en route to the win for new head coach Lynda Bowers.

Members of the team are Lori Horan, Natalie Jameson, Katelyn Cleveland, Sarah Demaree, Meghan Massey, Alaina Lacopo, Cheryl Kuykendall, Lauren Stuart, Jessica Thebaud, Lori Harvey, Sara Stroud, Meghan Lewis, Stephanie Meier and Annie Meredith. Bowers was assisted by Rick Demaree.

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Sports

All-star contest slated for tonight

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interesting to see how the St. Louis kids will match up against them. I know how St. Louis fans are starved for good sporting events, and this should definitely be a great one."

The game is being held in conjunction with the Demetrius Johnson Charitable Foundation's Hoops and Huddles event.

Among the Metro East players on the local team are Chris Braun (Gibault/Saint Louis University), Terrance Slater (East St. Louis Lincoln), Jon Harris (Edwardsville/Marquette University), Maurice Baker (Madison) and Josh Helbig (Belleville East/Cal State-Fullerton).

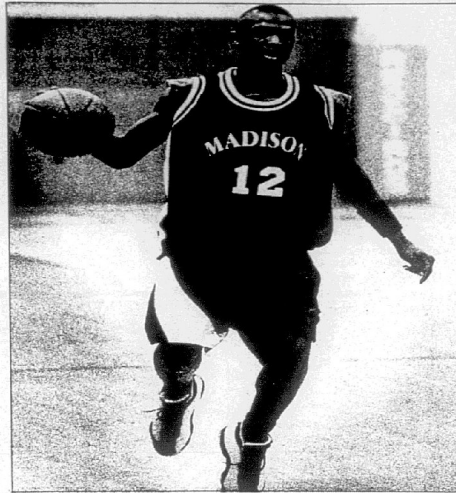
The National roster includes Illinois-bound Frankie Williams (Peoria Manual).

In addition, Missouri recruits Keyon Dooling, Clarence Gilbert and Travis Robinson will be members of the National team along with Saint Louis University recruits Ricky Cranford and Drew Diener.

The National roster also includes two players headed to Arizona (Mike Wright and Richard Jefferson), two players going to Southern California (Sam Clancey and Brandon Granville, along with recruits from Fresno State, Cincinnati and Utah).

The game will be played 7:30 p.m. tonight at Maryville University. Tickets may be purchased at Maryville University, Vashon High School or by calling 391-5080.

Madison's Maurice Baker will be in action tonight for the St. Louis All-Star team.



Collinsville blanks Rams

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Kenny "Big Country" Lutz, supported Johnson with a homer, a single and three RBI in four plate appearances. The home run was Lutz's 12 of the spring.

Mount Vernon intentionally walked Lutz during his other two at bats, including in the first inning.

When the Rams pitched around Lutz, the strategy backfired. Wayne Astrauskas, who bats fifth behind Lutz,

reached base four times; while Jason Kostoff, Collinsville's No. 6 hitter, went 3-for-4 with two RBI.

Mount Vernon ended its season at 19-10-1. Scoreless in the third, Lutz's opposite field two-run home run gave Collinsville a 2-0 lead.

Later in the frame, Kostoff added a run-scoring single, increasing the Kahoks margin to 3-0.

Kostoff registered another RBI safety in the fifth, giving CHS a 4-0 lead.

Warriors finish above .500 mark

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Collinsville (twice). The Warriors also split with Belleville East and Belleville West.

The Warriors won their first game of sectionals, defeating Bethalto Civic Memorial 10-4. Their season ended with their third loss against Edwardsville. The score was 7-1 but Granite City, which had lost to Edwardsville 3-2 in the regular season, was also in this game until the fifth inning.

"The score was 2-1 in the fifth and they had the bases loaded," Lignoul said. "We had two outs and two strikes on the batter but he got a key hit."

Granite City had a number of individuals who stepped up during their senior seasons.

Second baseman Scott Smallie led the team with a .424 batting average. He had 42 hits for the season, which was just four off of the school record set by Jeff Ridenour.

Catcher Jeff Hayden had a solid year both offensively and behind the plate. He hit .374 with three homers and 17 RBI and a .555 slugging percentage.

Pitching ace Dustin Brewer led the team in home runs (six) and RBI (19) while hitting .329.

Smallie, Hayden and Brewer have all committed to play next season at Lewis & Clark although Brewer has other options after being drafted in the 22nd round by the Baltimore Orioles last week.



Granite City coach Gus Lignoul said strengthening defense was key.

Kelly (.320) and Kamadulski (.307) also had fine offensive seasons for the Warriors.

Brewer was the ace of the staff despite his 4-6 record. He got the ball in the big games and five of his six losses came against either Edwardsville or Collinsville. Brewer had a stellar 2.21 ERA, three saves and 77 strikeouts in 72 innings.

Kacera was the top winner on the staff with a 5-3 record and a 2.95 ERA while Kelly was 4-2 with a 3.54 ERA.

"I felt coming into the season that our pitching was going to be good and that was the case," Lignoul said. "Those three pitchers are all seniors but we believe in winning with seniors. Some of our juniors will have their chance to step up next season."

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Tigers eliminate Belleville East

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in the nation by USA Today, improved to 36-0 and was scheduled to play Collinsville for the sectional title at 4 p.m. Monday at the Complex. The Kahoks eliminated Mount Vernon 8-0 in Saturday's second semifinal.

The Tigers set the tone early, lighting up East starter Don Grider (9-4) with four straight line-drive singles from Matt Bogle, Chad Opel, Nick Seibert and Matt Evers, and took a 2-0 lead in the first.

"I was standing on third and I was really relaxed because I was thinking 'We're going to get them this time, get right on top and get it

going,'" said Opel, who went 3-for-4 with three RBI. "Even when they came back to tie it, we still had a lot of confidence."

While Justin Hammer, Ben Hutton and James Hutton combined on a five-hitler, the Tigers offense was the star. "We killed the ball today," Pile said. "We just murdered it."

And it was a multiple homicide. In addition to Opel's three hits, Bogle had three hits, while Dave Crouthers, Evers and James Hutton each had two hits for the Tigers. Evers homered, and James Hutton, Crouthers and Matt Turner each had two RBI.

Turner's bases-loaded single gave the Tigers the lead for good in the fifth.

Lady Tigers learning and improving

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to do a lot of coaching with his very inexperienced team.

"Their experience for the most part was limited to playing with their brothers on the driveway or in the park," West said. "They hadn't had the opportunity to play in any

organized situation. Some had not even been on skates before so I needed to teach them the very basics about the game."

The Lady Tigers have played eight games so far this season. As one might expect, they are still looking for their first victory — although they scored six goals.

Many of the team's defeats have been by large margins but West sees no discouragement from his players.

"They just love to play," he

said. "And they have improved greatly since the first game. You can see in the last several games that they are understanding more things about the game."

Members of the Lady Tigers include: goalkeepers Lacey Basarich and Kristin Turner; defenseman Jordan Griffin; Kelsey West, Sarah Worster, Kasey York and Jessica McConnell; and forwards Brianna Markel, Allison Menchak, Danielle Menchak and Courtney York.

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School News

Federation of Teachers awards eight scholarships

The Granite City Federation of Teachers, Local #743, awarded its annual scholarship awards at its general meeting in May at the high school cafeteria.

Each year, Local #743 awards a one-time stipend of \$500 to eight graduating seniors of Granite City Senior High School.

This year's recipients were as follows:

Kathryn Cooper, who plans to attend Truman State University to study history/pre-law, so that she can protect the rights of people. An Illinois State Scholar, Kathryn wrote, in her essay, "I have learned something special and unique from every teacher I had," and praised her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jean Messick, for being her teachers as well.

Timothy Cooper, who plans to attend Washington University to major in a

science- or medicine-related occupation. He wrote about how teachers have taught him many things, most importantly respect. He praised Tom Pinnell in particular for being "very tough," which made him a better learner. A National Honor Society member, Tim is also an Illinois State Scholar.

Sarah Fielding, who plans to attend either Valparaiso University or DePaul University to study pre-med/education. A National Honor Society student and an Illinois State Scholar, she wrote in her essay, "Education does not make a student. It is the teachers behind education who make it effective."

Joe Herman, who plans to attend Washington University to study mechanical engineering and German. Joe is a member of the National Honor Society and is an Illinois State Scholar. In his essay, he discussed the impact a good

teacher can have on an eager student and discussed how he saw diligence, intelligence and understanding from Amy Heath, Antonio Betancourt and Amy Alsop, three of his teachers.

Jessica Mefford, who plans to attend the Philadelphia College of Textiles and Science to study fashion merchandise and fashion design. A member of the National Honor Society and an Illinois State Scholar, Jessica discussed, in her essay, how Sondra Devany and David Ames gave her a deeper understanding of their subjects because of Devany's personal attention and Ames' lasting impression that history is important.

Salina Morlen, who plans to attend Southwest Missouri State University to study secondary education. She is a member of the National Honor Society and is an Illinois State Scholar. In her essay, Salina said, "I want to touch students' lives, as my teachers touched mine," and "the Granite City teachers have changed me into a better person."

Sara Schwager, who plans to attend the University of Missouri at Rolla to study petroleum engineering. She is an Illinois State Scholar. In her essay, Sara praised Linda McDonnell, Barbara Varadian, Amy Heath and Russell Chappell and said, "I hope our country has the foresight to realize that our educators should be treated as valuable resources. They should be rewarded monetarily and be afforded the prestige as their peers in private industry."

Rosanne Slecka, who plans to attend St. Louis University or Southern Illinois University



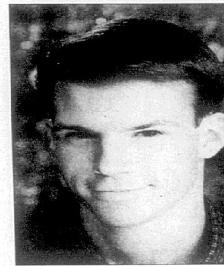
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Community Calendar

Editor's note: Each week, the community calendar contains items for the upcoming week only. Groups that meet every week will be listed the first and third weeks of the month only.

Health/Exercise

ST. ELIZABETH MEDICAL CENTER'S BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SYSTEM is presenting a talk entitled, "Cultural Significance of Substance Use and Abuse" at 7:30 p.m. June 16. The speaker will be Warren Neal of the Behavioral Health System. The talk will be held in the Wisconsin Room at SEMC, and is free and open to the public. For more information or to register, call 798-3888.

Organizations

GRANITE CITY BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN, meeting at Jerry's Cafeteria, Dinner at 6:30 p.m., third Wednesday of each month, followed by a program at 7:15. Open to the public. For more information call 432-5391 or 451-6914.

NOON NETWORKING FOR WOMEN, third Wednesday of each month, noon to 1 p.m., Ramada Inn in Fairview Heights. Cost is \$10 (no annual dues). Please feel free to bring your business cards and brochures. Bring a friend a get \$4 off your next lunch at Noon Networking.

SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS, a hereditary group for descendants over age 12 of Confederate veterans, meets every third Thursday of every month at Raveland's Restaurant in Granite City. Call 877-3065.

THE SARAH AND DORCAS CIRCLES OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP meet at 9:30 a.m. the third Thursday of each month. For more information and meeting location, call Helen Stumpe at 931-2098.

THE RUTH CIRCLE OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP meets at 7 p.m. the third Thursday of each month. For more information and meeting location, call Helen Stumpe at 931-2098.

LYDIA CIRCLE of Nameoki United Methodist Church meets at 1 p.m. the third Thursday of each month. Call 877-1936.

CAMERA EXPLORERS CLUB, Harford Public Library, 143 W. Hawthorne St., 7 p.m., third Monday of each month. Call Beverly Zager, 254-9394.

TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL meets the first, third and fifth Tuesday of the month from 7 to 8 p.m. at Shoney's, Highway 157 (84 Commerce Drive), Collinsville. Come join for better communication and leadership skills. For more information call 692-6025 or 344-2896.

BURT - BUBBLEMASTERS UNDERWATER RESCUE TEAM meets at 7 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month at 4964 Old Alton Road next to the Mitchell Fire Protection Department. Call 931-8371.

NEW HOWE CHAPTER 432 ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR meets at 8 p.m. the first and third Fridays of each month at Masonic Temple, 1940 Cleveland Blvd. in Granite City.

TRIPLE LODGE 835 A.F. and A.M. meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Masonic Temple, 1940 Cleveland Blvd. in Granite City.

SINGLES CONNECTION events for June 10-16 are: WEDNESDAY: Pizza

at Montclair shopping center in Edwardsville. Meet at 6:30 p.m. Call Ben at 254-1056. **THURSDAY:** Game night, outside Meet at 6:30 p.m. at Edwardsville Township Park on Center Grove Road. RSVP to Paul, 332-7371. **SATURDAY:** Meet at 7 p.m. at Sharkey's in Collinsville for food, pool, TV. Call John R., 289-9127. **SUNDAY:** Outdoor volleyball at 3 p.m. at Edwardsville Township Park on Center Grove Road. Call Paul, 332-7371. **MONDAY:** Planning meeting for August and reception for prospective members at 7 p.m. at Imo's in Edwardsville. Call Theresa at 344-6460. **TUESDAY:** Meet at 6:30 p.m. at the Edwardsville YMCA Esic Drive for Volleyball, volleyball on a racquetball court with a softer ball. Cost is \$3 for three hours of play. Call Paul 332-7371.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. the third Thursday of each month in the President's Room, inside Bonaventure's Cafeteria, on the ground floor of St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave. Call 798-3018 for more information.

RIVERS OF WATER WORSHIP CENTER SUPPORT GROUP, meets the first and third Saturday of each month, at 1307 Madison Ave. in Madison, 9:30 to 11 a.m., to comfort and restore. Group membership is open to all who are "broken"—at no cost. Worship service will follow each third Saturday at 11:30 a.m. For more information, call 341-3643 or 656-7831.

OBSSIVE/COMPULSIVE DISORDER SUPPORT GROUP, meets the third Saturday of each month, at Von Gontard Conference Center at St. John's Mercy Medical Center, 615 South New Ballas Road, 10 a.m. Meeting is free and open to OCD

patients, family and friends. For information call (314) 842-7228.

PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP, 3 to 4:30 p.m., third Sunday of each month, at Central Christian Church, 2020 Johnson Road, Granite City. The group, men only, will meet in the church's Terrace Room, enter through the Fellowship Hall door on the east side of the building. There is no charge. For more information phone Roger Zollars, 2100 Madison Ave. Call 798-3018 for more information, at 656-5438.

LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS SUPPORT GROUP, sub-chapter of Illinois Lupus Foundation, 7:30 p.m., third Tuesday of each month, Memorial Hospital auditorium, Belleville, 233-7750, extension 5860.

PARENTS OF MURDERED CHILDREN, St. Louis Chapter, 8 to 10 p.m., the third Tuesday of each month at the American Cancer Society Building, 4201 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis. For more information call 452-2149 or (314) 391-2230.

SPOUSE SUPPORT GROUP, sponsored by Nameoki United Methodist Church, meets the third Tuesday of each month. For meeting time and place, call the church at 877-1936.

Seniors

PONTON BEACH SENIOR CITIZENS meets the third Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m., 3910 Highway 111, Ponton Beach.

Support Groups

PARENTS ANONYMOUS GROUP,

Holy Family releases fourth quarter honor roll

Holy Family School has announced its honor roll for the fourth quarter of the 1997-98 school year. Following are the lists of students who made "High Honors" (3.0 average or above on a 4.0 scale), and "Honors" (3.0 to 3.4 average). Both conduct and effort must be above average.

Fourth grade:
HIGH HONORS — Sara Brewer, Carrie Brown, Emilee Burns, Anna Carney, Allie Keys, Ashley Koenig, Nicholas Lane, Kati Long, Casey Lord, Kelsey Myers, Katie Nesbit, Chris Payne, Beth Shipley, Erin Von Nida.

HONORS — Rachel Coulter, Kayla Ingram, Vince Martinez.

Fifth grade:
HIGH HONORS — Emily Amberger, Jenna Benz, Jeremy Bledsoe, Anne Bosslet, Erica Cook, Bridget Curtin, Emily Gavinsky, Melissa Geer, Ryan Harrington, Shantae Hatter, Tommy Hickam, Courtney Jorden, Erik Klobe, Sara Lapusan, Kyle Mann, Amanda Marti, Adam Moellering, Alicia Morelan, Ben Motil, Monica Ozanich, Jessica Palmer, Andrea Patton, Brittany Renner, Emily Reutebuch, Maggie Ronk, Jennifer Schooley,

Hilary Slover.
HONORS — Zach Bowman, Zach Jarvis, Michael Pennekamp, Andrew Robinson, Chad Steinmeyer, Jamie Tucker.

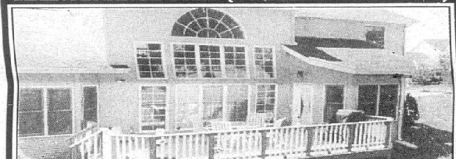
Sixth grade:
HIGH HONORS — Brian Bulva, Matt Carmody, Vincent Eckhard, Phillip Foley, Calin Foster, Brittany Fuzessery, Megan Gattung, Adam Granshaw, Jan Kozak, Jayme Hillmer, Bridget Hopkins, Catie Jansen, Erin Marler, Erin Marzluft, Katie Motil, Sean Przygoda, Chris Reed, Ben Reyes, Andy Ribbing, Jamie Rotter, Sarah Scaturro, Kaitlyn Schmidt, Whitney Sykes, Andy Unfried-Sigite, Jason Vaughn,

Amanda Welch.
HONORS — Raquelga Gardner, Erin Sabol, Sarah Timko.

Seventh grade:
HIGH HONORS — Ryan Breckner, Jonathan Cavins, Jonathan Costello, Aaron Craft, Matt Gattung, Jessica Geer, Chris Hinds, Libby Kelley, Melissa Koisher, Jonathan Kozak, Brittany Kull, Andy Marti, Andy Mell, Jennifer Miller, Nicholas Patterson, Jaime Prazma, Luke Shipley, Jennifer Von Nida, Sarah Whitecotton.
HONORS — Crista Brissette, Jessica Cavins, Maurice McGhee.

Eighth grade:
HIGH HONORS — Jennifer Benz, Eric Barger, Elliott Bosslet, Matt Breckner, Erin Brown, Kara Dusky, T.J. Harrington, Nicole Hicks, Joe Kramer, Frances Long, Anessa Martinez, Kelly Musilli, Laura Richardson, Paul Rotter, Jackie Schooley, Rachel Turek, Erin Tyler, Chrissy Webb, Tara Webb, Brian Werner, Fred Williams, Joshua Zellerman.
HONORS — Zac Coulter, Jada Foster, Michael Vivod.

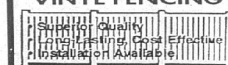
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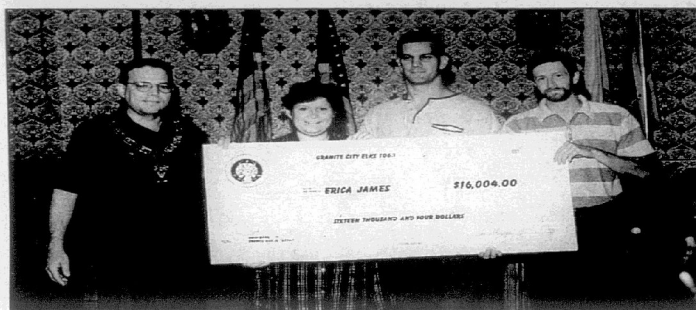
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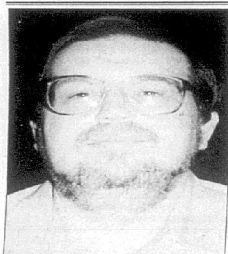
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Society



Raising cash

The Granite City Elks Lodge 1063 recently held a raffle, auction and dinner dance and raised \$16,004 to help pay medical bills for Erica James, who was born with tuberous sclerosis. Pictured from left to right are Exalted Ruler Ken Shipp, Lisa James and Rich James (Erica's parents) and Event Chairperson Dutch Schroeder.



Brother Randy Hardwick

Faith General welcomes new pastor

Brother Randy Hardwick of Alton has assumed his duties as the new pastor of Faith Chapel General Baptist Church, located at 664 Ashland at Springfield Avenue in Mitchell.

He received his theological training at Oakland City College in Oakland City, Ind. He is the former pastor of Victory General Baptist Church in Alton.

Hardwick would like to encourage everyone who doesn't have a home church to come join them in worship. Sunday school begins at 9:45 a.m., followed by Sunday morning worship services at 11 a.m. The church's Sunday and Wednesday evening services (Bible study) begin at 7 p.m. Kings Kids Club, for children between the ages of 4 and 10, also begins at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays.

Vacation Bible School will be held from June 15-19. Children ages 3 to 16 are welcome. For more information call church secretary Lucy Calbert at 931-1268.

GCC provost returns to where his heart is

Belleville Area College's Granite City Campus Provost Harold Johnson, Ed.D., believes in being where his heart is. And, when it comes to his career, his first and second loves have always been teaching and the BAC Administration of Justice program.

That's why he has agreed to become the new coordinator of the AOJ program for the BAC district. The position has become available because the current coordinator, William Allen, Ph.D., will be retiring this year.

For the past 14 years, Johnson has held an administrative position. For two of those years, he has been the provost of the Granite City Campus, 4950 Maryville Road. Although he has enjoyed working as an administrator, he is looking forward to returning to the classroom.

"I guess the most rewarding thing for me always been working with the students," he said. "Particularly when you see the light bulb go on when students understand a particular concept, you know then that you've contributed to the understanding that they need to reach their objectives."

An ex-Marine, Johnson earned an associate of applied science degree from Forest Park Community College, he then went on to earn a bachelor of science degree in Administration of Justice from the University of Missouri-St. Louis University.

In 1965, fresh out of the Marine Corps, Johnson went to the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Academy; he began working for the St. Louis Police Department and later became a district detective. Then, in 1973, he began working at BAC as an AOJ instructor and later as director of the police academy.

"They should be willing to make decisions from an ethical standpoint and also enjoy the excitement and the danger that is part of serving our community as a police officer."

Harold Johnson
Granite City Campus Provost

As the new coordinator of the AOJ program, Johnson will be responsible for instructing classes and coordinating class curriculum throughout the BAC district. The program provides students with a thorough background of the concepts and principles of the U.S. criminal justice systems as well as practical applications of legal concepts in role-playing scenarios. But, Johnson pointed out, an AOJ student must be a committed student.

"I think in their hearts they have to be a person who wants to live a disciplined life," he said. "They should be willing to make decisions from an ethical standpoint and also enjoy the excitement and the danger that is part of serving our community as a police officer."

Johnson's role as coordinator of AOJ program becomes effective in August. Although he will miss working with his fellow administrators, he said, he is glad to be bringing what he has learned as an administrator to the classroom.

For more information about the AOJ program, call Harold Johnson at GCC at 931-0600, extension 41.

Local woman to model in Greece

Holly Ryan of Granite City left Tuesday for Athens, Greece for a modeling assignment.

She will be staying in Greece for three to six weeks while modeling for the Fashion Cult Agency. She has been modeling for the Talent Plus/Centro Agency in St. Louis for the past year and a half. Her clients have included Fashion Gal, Venture, Colonel Days and the Ladue News.

Ryan graduated in the top 5 percent of the class of 1998 at

Granite City Senior High School. She is a member of the Pom Pom squad, Student Council, National Honor Society and Varsity Club.

She also won many awards including the Presidential Academic Award, Presidential Physical Fitness Award and the Scholastic Achievement Award. Ryan was also listed in the Who's Who Among American High School Students.

She is the daughter of Rick and Diana Ryan.



Holly Ryan

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The inter-denominational conference will feature youths from the metropolitan area, to give youth and young adults a positive alternative to negative social situations. Objectives include building self-worth, promoting youth talent, providing assistance in career development, enhancing leadership skills and teaching values.

"A Chosen Generation in a Time of Crisis" is the conference's theme. Issues such as HIV/AIDS, careers for

the new millennium and health and cultural heritage will be discussed.

The event will feature poetry recitations, interpretive dance, drill team training, instrumental music workshops, tap dance workshops and choral training. Events begin at 5:30 p.m. each night.

The event will also feature an essay and art competition. Winning participants will be given cash, gift certificates and savings bonds. Topics will be given to participants on June 15.

Registration is \$15 for ages 13 and up and \$10 for 12 and under. The fee includes arts and crafts, a conference T-shirt, daily snacks, words to

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News

Funds for local ethanol fuel plant near

SIUE's University Park expecting \$1.5 million federal grant

By Paul Mackie
Staff writer

Ninety years ago, when Henry Ford was designing the Model T, he thought ethanol would be a major source for fuel.

That hasn't been the case, but fuel industry officials said an expected corn to ethanol plant located in Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville's University Park might soon increase the use of ethanol.

University Park is expected to receive a \$1.5 million federal grant for the final design for a national corn to ethanol research pilot plant. The money is included in the budget pending in Congress.

"I hope, in just a few weeks, we get our funding," said Brian Donnelly, executive director of University Park. Donnelly said the plant

would serve as an intermediary between the laboratory bench and ethanol production plants. He said new technology would be gathered and commercial production replicated and tested with neither the cost nor the risk of large-scale production.

"There is no facility like this anywhere in the world. The closest thing to it is a pilot ethanol facility in Colorado. This is clearly a facility that belongs in the Midwest. And what better place for it than in a metropolitan area 30 minutes from an airport?"

Donnelly was the principle investigator of the initial federal grant of \$500,000 a couple years ago for the preliminary design of the building.

"(The facility) will provide opportunities for involvement of students and faculty, as well

as researchers coming from all over the world," he said.

He said he is certain an additional \$20 million in funding will be received from state and federal levels.

Mary Wertschnig, of the Renewable Fuels Association in Washington, D.C., said the United States is more than 50 percent dependent on other nations for fuel. She said the U.S. Department of Energy predicts that number will rise dramatically in the near future.

"We were involved in the Gulf War because we were protecting our energy interests," she said. "Most of our foreign sources (of energy) are from the Middle Eastern area."

"You'll never see any of our sons and daughters dying in

defense of our cornfields and crops," she said.

Because it's derived from corn, ethanol, unlike petroleum, is a renewable resource. Its production would help the United States move toward energy independence and increase the agricultural industry of the country, especially states such as Illinois.

According to the National Corn Growers Association, ethanol use can create several benefits, including less pollution; biological renewability, because most energy to make fuel ethanol comes from the sun; less dependence on imported oil; value-added market for U.S. corn farmers; and rural economic growth.

Golf fund-raiser set

Area golfers can chip in for charity at the St. Joseph Catholic Church Benefit Golf Tournament fund-raiser in August.

The tournament will benefit St. Joseph's charitable activities in East St. Louis and surrounding towns. Examples include the St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry; field trips, conferences and cultural enrichment programs for the Catholic Youth Organization; financial aid for dislocated families; a student scholarship assistance program; and handicapped and disabled veterans' programs.

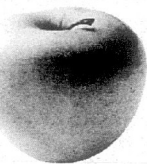
Event chairperson Yvonne Jordan said registration is going well so far but could be going better.

"We would like to get as many participants as possible to come out and help support our charitable works," Jordan said. "We have such a small congregation that we really depend on outside help."

The tournament is set for 8:30 a.m. Aug. 22 at the Grand Marais Golf Course in Centerville. The cost of the tournament is \$100 per golfer. Hole sponsorship levels are \$100, \$500 and \$1,000.

Registration will continue until 7:30 a.m. Aug. 22. Lunch will be served at the tournament.

For information, call Jordan at 656-8993 or parish secretary Jackie Cobb at 274-0655.



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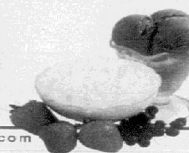
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Blue Ribbon Cook

Cherry pie makes a convenient and complementary dessert to a meal concocted to be easy and refreshing on the patio.

INSIDE

Test Run

The likeness of a familiar baseball or media personality lures shoppers this summer into picking barbecue sauce that is a pet project of radio personality Charles Brennan and cookies endorsed by St. Louis Cardinals star Willie McGee.

INSIDE

Lively Taste

A little salsa easily livens up salad flavor. In large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat, cook 1 pound boneless chicken breast, cut in strips, in 1/4 cup salsa 6 minutes or until chicken is cooked thoroughly. On serving platter or in large bowl, toss chicken with 1 package (1 pound) salad greens and 1 cup (4 ounces) shredded cheddar cheese. Top with a mixture of 3/4 cup salsa and 1 cup ranch salad dressing (regular, light or fat-free) before serving. Garnish with baked tortilla chips, if desired. Makes six (1 1/2 cup) main-dish servings.

Health & Fitness

Medicine Chest

Sleeping pills help a person sleep during difficult times. However, these medications only should be used for short periods of time. Learning to sleep without the pills is important for establishing regular and healthy sleep patterns. Long-term use of sleeping pills may be associated with other health risks.

Fresh Picks

A garden sauce stirs up affection for grilled salmon. Stirring gently, combine 1/4 cup chopped and seeded tomato, 1/4 cup chopped cucumber, 3 tablespoons chopped radish, 1 green onion (top and bottom, sliced), 1 tablespoon chopped fresh basil, 1 teaspoon oil, 1/8 teaspoon salt and 1/8 teaspoon pepper. Let stand at room temperature about 30 minutes before serving. Refrigerate leftovers.

Big Fat Tip

By definition, a fat-free food contains less than 0.5 grams fat per standard serving. Because food companies are allowed to round their nutritional data according to standard mathematical rules, a serving containing 0.4 grams fat can be rounded to zero on the nutrition information list, making it a 'fat-free food.' Although a trace amount of oil might appear in a recipe and on the label of a food, each serving would contain what is considered a nutritionally insignificant amount of fat.

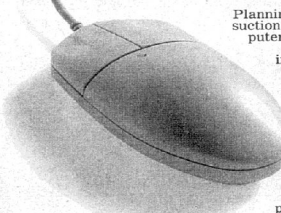
Future Shop

From drops to glasses, private label brands are the expanding part of the eye care product market. Last year eye care sales were stable, while private label brands surged 14 percent. Price is the big lure on this shelf. As Baby Boomers find it harder to read numbers in the phone book, they look for inexpensive lures when they need reading glasses, cleaning cloths and eyeglass screwdriver kits.



Feast by the Byte

By Janice Denham
Staff Writer



Planning to upgrade your system? Forget liposuction and surgeons and head to a favorite computer store. The World Wide Web is on one end of this informational system. It is loaded with recipes and ideas that would fill a decade of Saturday afternoon cooking shows. On the other end is a little mouse. Tidily it nibbles on the cheese of imagination to file recipes and share information that can be used today or tucked away for the distant future. Cookbooks are handy and easy to pick up and ponder, but the Internet is becoming more user-friendly when it comes to recipes. Many now offer tempting photos, as well as text updated periodically so ideas have seasonal appeal.

Food companies and food group sponsors are represented. They sell ideas that use their products or even sell the products themselves. Other information to find is food festivals, like the Cereal Festival in Battle Creek, Mich., this weekend, or Swedish Days Festival in Geneva, Ill., later this month.

There are sites with food safety information, like the one from the U.S.

Favorite Bookmarks

Like anyone who frequents the kitchen and moves favorite cookbooks to a handy part of the shelf, a computer surfer finds ways to "bookmark" tempting sites for quick browsing or an update.

Is there one that fulfills your needs during the hectic 5:30 p.m. rush? Where did you find that recipe for your mother-in-law's birthday cake? Does one manufacturer offer better eating fun for kids? Is there a place where, once you sign on, you never seem to be able to leave?

How about sharing that favorite site or two, so other readers have a chance to visit there and turn down the edge of the page, too? E-mail the information to: westnews@primary.net.

Department of Agriculture (www.usda.gov/fais) and the International Food Information Council (www.ificinfo.health.org), as well as sites for magazines and culinary resources.

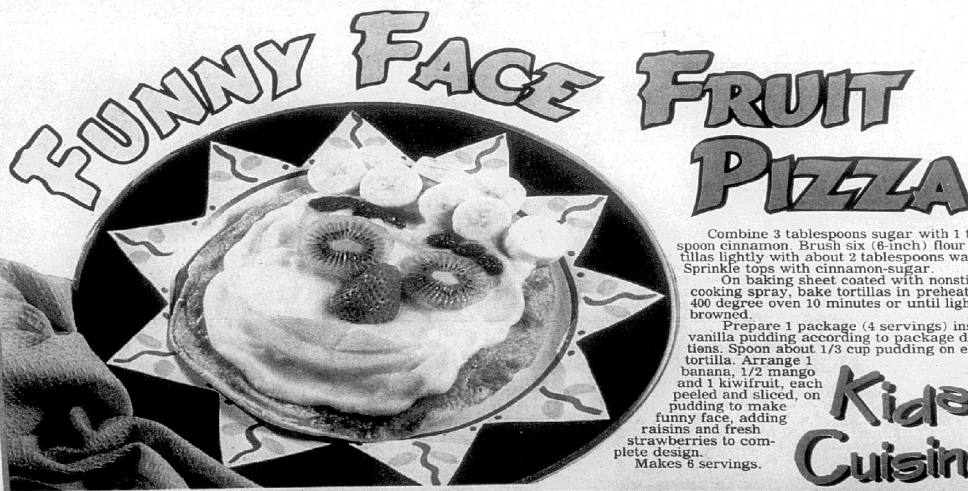
When a person has a craving for fruit, mouth-watering sites include www.bestapples.com, www.usapears.com/pears, www.culstrawberry.com and www.doleaday.com.

Recipes are not the only information available on sites. These recipes are typical of three other sources.

Cheese heads can get a fresh assortment of ideas from www.sargento.com. It offers an assortment of information by way of a magazine, with food, exercise and nutrition ideas and a calendar of celebrations across the country. A companion site with fun for kids is www.mootown.com.

Kids get a turn, too, at www.mym.org from the National Pork Producers Council, where they can play with their food in positive ways. Rice is the underlying commodity at www.unclebens.com.

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Combine 3 tablespoons sugar with 1 teaspoon cinnamon. Brush six (6-inch) flour tortillas lightly with about 2 tablespoons water. Sprinkle tops with cinnamon-sugar.

On baking sheet coated with nonstick cooking spray, bake tortillas in preheated 400 degree oven 10 minutes or until lightly browned.

Prepare 1 package (4 servings) instant vanilla pudding according to package directions. Spoon about 1/3 cup pudding on each tortilla. Arrange 1 banana, 1/2 mango and 1 kiwi/fruit, each peeled and sliced, on pudding to make funny face, adding raisins and fresh strawberries to complete design. Makes 6 servings.

Kids' Cuisine

Today's Food

'Swonderful to celebrate with foods that taste good

By Judy Eddy
Correspondent

June has its share of celebrations. Many people observe one without realizing it, so dish up a bowl of ice cream or carton of yogurt or pour a glass of milk to celebrate National Dairy Month.

MICRO RAVES

Milk and milk products long have been known to contribute to the growth of bones. As people learn more about the aging process, they see the body never outgrows its need for calcium to maintain bone strength and density of bones.

It is as important that adults eat right as it is for growing boys and girls. Calcium supplements may be recommended at some point, but getting nutrients from foods, in this case calcium-rich ones like dairy products, is an efficient way to get nutrients, since people have to eat anyway. The Food Guide Pyramid recommends everyone have at least 2 to 3 servings from the milk, yogurt and cheese group each day. A serving consists of 1 cup milk or yogurt, 1½ ounces natural cheese, 2 ounces process cheese or 1½ cups ice cream or ice milk.

Dairy products are easy to include as part of a meal

or as a snack. Fruit-flavored yogurt, cheese with crackers or fruit, and milkshakes only begin the list of delicious offerings. It is also easy to add extra milk to prepared dishes by stirring in ¼ cup nonfat dry milk powder to 1 cup liquid milk when preparing puddings or sauces for extra calcium and no added fat.

Microwaving milk products is quick and easy, but a few tips make cleanup easier. Always use a generous-sized bowl when working with liquid milk, because milk boils higher in a microwave oven than it does on a traditional stove-top.

Cheese melts quickly in a microwave oven because of its high fat content. Overcooking cheese causes it to become tough and stringy. As in conventional cooking, sour cream should be cooked at a lower power level or stirred in during the last part of the heating period so it does not curdle. A microwave oven is a snacker's friend. Delicious quick appetizers and snacks are prepared with little mess or bother. These quick cheese snacks are handy for kids or company with little preparation.

Judy Eddy specializes in microwave cooking.

CHEESE TOASTERS

- 4 slices bacon
- 1 cup (4 oz.) finely shredded, sharp cheddar cheese
- 1 tsp. mayonnaise
- 1 tsp. prepared mustard
- 1 tsp. chopped pimento
- 1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
- ¼ tsp. paprika
- Grated parmesan cheese
- 2 English muffins, split, toasted

On microwave-safe plate, cover bacon with paper towel. Microwave on high power 3 to 5 minutes until bacon is browned. Let bacon cool, then crumble it coarsely.

Combine cheese, mayonnaise, mustard, pimento, Worcestershire sauce, pepper sauce and paprika. Place toasted muffin halves on microwave-safe plate. Spread cheese mixture on each muffin half. Top with crumbled bacon. Sprinkle with parmesan cheese. Microwave on medium-high (70 percent) power 1 to 2 minutes.

To serve, cut each muffin half in 4 pieces. Makes 16 snacks.

Salad as cool as cucumber, ready for hot-weather duty

By Paul Ott
Correspondent

With the prospect of hot, steamy days ahead, a warm house spurred by use of the oven or stovetop doesn't make everyday sense. On those humid days, people tend to eat lighter, chilled foods. For this reason, main course salads gain popularity.

Hearty Bites

Salads are a perfect nutrients without heating up the house. They are quick, refreshing, delicious and often healthy. Some salads with fat-laden dressings, mounds of cheeses, deep-fried chicken or other high-fat, high-calorie toppings turn a healthy salad into a not-so-healthy meal.

Once in a while higher-fat choices can be added in small portions, but eating too much fat, by way of oversized portions, is a problem. A reduction of 500 calories each day by cutting back on portion sizes and fat intake helps reduce weight by about a pound each week or decreases weight gain by about a pound each week.

Being overweight is a risk factor for heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes. If the slow weight gain most people experience as years go by can be reversed, the risk of having health problems also decreases. Lowering the fat in day-to-day foods makes a big difference to the body, including the heart. If activity, especially aerobic activity, is increased at the same

time calories are decreased, weight comes off a little easier while cardiovascular health improves.

People tend to lose their creativity with salads as main dishes. It is hard at first to make a vegetable into a main dish itself, but a good way to start is to add different foods to a big bowl of lettuce and see what results.

One of my favorite college meals was a huge salad bowl of lettuce — which also was the serving bowl, because my youthful appetite gave me permission to eat more than I do now — and a variety of vegetables I had on hand, along with half a can of water-packed tuna and a fat-free Italian dressing. I ate the entire bowl with some French bread and a big glass of water. It tasted delicious and, because lettuce and most vegetables do not provide a lot of calories, I did not feel guilty for eating it.

I probably would not eat that size serving any more, but the salad, which are filling, remain a favorite change from heavy foods eaten the rest of the year. This salad is made without a shell or chips, which add much of the fat and calories to most salads. Taco salads from restaurants often have 30 to 50 grams fat — about 50 to 75 percent of what a person should consume in an entire day. Crisp fresh vegetables add crunch that would be missed. Once in a while, crushed pieces of baked tortilla chips as a topping add a different flavor. Registered dietitian Paul Ott is a member of the nutrition committee

of the American Heart Association, St. Louis Chapter.

American Heart Association representatives are conducting supermarket tours this month. For more information or reservations, call 45-HEART. Free recipes and food products will be available.

TACO SALAD

- 1 lb. reduced-fat ground turkey, browned, drained
- ¾ cup water
- 1 tsp. chili powder
- ¼ tsp. garlic powder
- ¼ tsp. ground red pepper
- 1 can (15½ oz.) red or kidney beans, drained, rinsed
- 1 medium head lettuce, torn in bite-size pieces
- 1 cup (4 oz.) low-fat shredded cheddar cheese
- 1 bunch green onion, diced
- 1 medium cucumber, peeled, diced
- 1 green bell pepper, diced
- ½ cup fat-free Italian salad dressing
- ½ cup fat-free ranch salad dressing

Brown turkey in 10-inch skillet. Drain. Stir in water, chili powder, garlic powder, red pepper and beans. Heat to boiling. Reduce heat. Simmer 15 minutes. Cool 10 minutes.

Mix lettuce, cheese, tomato, onion, cucumber and green pepper in large salad bowl. Toss with salad dressings. Pour ground turkey mixture on top. Serve with French bread. Makes 8 servings; 250 calories, 5 g fat, and 24 g protein each.

Splash of sauce and bite of cookie benefit projects

At first, barbecue sauce and chocolate chip cookies seem to have little in common, but both have been endorsed by celebrities with an intent of donating some of their proceeds to local projects.

TEST RUN

Charles Brennan, host of "The Morning Meeting" on KMOX-AM (1120) has earmarked a portion of the sale of barbecue sauce under his name for plaques on historical locations in St. Louis, while some proceeds of the cookie, endorsed by Cardinals' star Willie McGee, go toward benefits at the ballpark, like Christian Family Day.

Both received a thumbs-up from testers. Charles Brennan barbecue sauce was tried on chicken and pork, as well as straight as a condiment.

The tester who used it on pork spare ribs and lean chops said, "My, but it is tasty. It has a sweet taste, with a hint of fire." A professed fanatic about barbecue sauce, he was surprised by his and his wife's positive responses. He likes spicy food, while his wife, who likes much milder flavors, first responded that it was a bit sweeter than what he usually uses.

"The sauce itself is thinner than what I usually prefer, but it seemed to soak into the meat itself, rather than just sit on top," he said.

He marinated the pork in Italian salad dressing, then cooked indirectly near a very hot fire.

"Under such hot temperatures, some sauce can scorch, but this not only did not scorch, it seemed to seal the meat on top, creating sort of a nice, brown glaze," he said.

As usual, he also used it as a condiment. He still liked its flavor, but its consistency left him unimpressed for this purpose, because "I like my sauce to stay where I put it."

The person who grilled chicken with it said, "At



Local projects benefit from involvement of celebrities in summer specialties of Charles Brennan's barbecue sauce and Willie's gourmet chocolate chip cookies.

first it seems more like the texture of chili sauce, sort of chunky."

She liked using it as a light sauce best. "I grilled a lot of chicken breast so we'd have plenty left after a party. I occasionally baked the meat with the sauce as it started to firm up. I poured a little extra on top of it, too, to keep it juicy and microwaved a platter of chicken a few minutes at the end to be sure it was done. Even the light use stayed on the meat, leaving some of the solids with their flavors behind," she said.

A 19.5-ounce bottle of Charles Brennan's barbecue sauce costs \$2.59 at Schnuck Markets.

The Willie McGee gourmet chocolate chip cookies come two to a package for \$1.69 at Schnuck Markets.

"These are the best chocolate chip cookies I have ever had. They are soft and have more flavor with oats and pecans," one tester said.

Part of the appeal was their chewiness, without turning mushy.

"The cookies are very

good, chewy and soft, the way I like them, with big, tasty chocolate chip morsels," another taster said.

One taster warned others who don't like pecans in their cookies that these were prominent, but not marked on the package.

The cookies are made by the Big League Cookie Co. About 10 years ago, McGee gave Christie Boen, then 14, his 1987 World Series glove when she needed a new glove. The one condition was that she use it, not treat it like a souvenir.

To thank him, she started giving him cookies made by her mother. Their trade-off of cookies for baseball equipment continued even when McGee was a San Francisco Giant.

This year they became serious about marketing the chocolate chip oatmeal cookie with his endorsement. The Boens of Big League Cookie Co., Balwin, have more cookie recipes waiting in the wings for the right athlete's sponsorship.

The only negative response to the cookie was its price, which several lamented was too "big league" to let them buy the delicious cookie often.

Byte

Continued from page 1C. Uncle Ben is really a pal, because he saves favorite recipes for the web surfer under an e-mail address, plus suggests something to eat, based on what the "nanny" holds. Many sites offer promotions, contests, prizes and ways for information to be shared, such as cooking and products. If an urge for an exotic food tickles the fancy while on line, there are plenty of sources that will ship a ready-to-eat food to the door almost by the time the surfer signs off.

ITALIAN VEGETABLE, BEAN AND RICE SALAD

- 1 cup uncooked parboiled (Converted) rice
- 1½ cups cubed eggplant
- 1 can (15 oz.) cannellini, great Northern or navy beans, rinsed, drained
- 3 plum tomatoes, diced
- 1 small zucchini, sliced
- ½ cup chopped fresh basil
- ½ cup chopped Kalamata olives, if desired
- 6 tbsp. chicken broth
- 2 tsp. red wine vinegar
- 1 tsp. Dijon mustard
- 1 clove garlic

Prepare rice according to package directions. Add eggplant to rice last 10 minutes of cooking. In large bowl, let rice mixture cool slightly.

Add beans, tomato, zucchini, basil and olives. Mix well.

Combine broth, vinegar, mustard and garlic 1 minute. Toss with salad ingredients. Makes 4 servings; 318 calories, 10 g protein, 4 g fat, 660 mg sodium, no cholesterol, 61 g carbohydrate and 110 mg calcium each.

SHRIMP PESTO PIZZA

- 1 (16 oz., 12 inch) Italian bread shell
- ½ cup refrigerated pesto
- 2 cups (8 oz.) shredded 6-cheese Italian cheese blend or shredded mozzarella cheese
- 8 oz. shrimp, cooked, shelled, deveined
- ½ cup coarsely chopped, softened, sun-dried tomato
- ¼ cup minced green onion
- ¼ tsp. crushed red pepper flakes

Preheat oven to 450°. Place brush on heating sheet. Spread evenly with pesto. Sprinkle with half the cheese. Top with shrimp and tomato. Top with remaining cheese. Sprinkle with onion and crushed red pepper.

Bake in preheated oven 10 minutes or until cheese melts. Cut in wedges to serve. Makes 6 servings; 459 calories, 29 g protein, 20 g fat, 825 mg sodium, 109 mg cholesterol, 39 g carbohydrate and 397 mg calcium each.

LAYERED PORK FAJITA SALAD

- 1½ lb. boneless pork loin chops (about 6)
- ¼ cup olive oil
- 2 tbsp. lime juice
- 1 tsp. oregano
- 1 tsp. chili powder
- 1 head iceberg lettuce, shredded
- 1 can (15 oz.) black beans, drained
- 2 cups (8 oz.) shredded cheddar cheese
- Guacamole
- 1 jar (8 oz.) salsa
- 1 carton (16 oz.) sour cream
- 3 cups cooked white rice
- 1 can (2½ oz.) sliced black olives, drained
- 2 green onions, thinly sliced
- Corn tortilla chips, if desired

In self-sealing plastic bag, place pork chops with olive oil, lime juice, oregano and chili powder. Mix well. Marinate overnight in refrigerator, turning several times. Discard marinade. Grill or broil about 8 minutes until just cooked and browned. Let cool. Cut in ½-inch cubes.

Assemble salad up to 1 hour before serving. In 5-quart, straight-sided, glass bowl or casserole dish, layer lettuce, beans, 1½ cups cheese, pork and guacamole. Spread 1 cup salsa on top. Mix together sour cream and rice; spread over top, covering completely. Put remaining salsa in center of sour cream layer.

Garnish salad with remaining cheese, olives and green onion. Serve chips on the side.

Guacamole: In medium bowl, stir together 2 ripe avocados (mashed), 1 tablespoon lemon juice, 1 tablespoon minced onion, 3 tablespoons minced cilantro, 1 tomato (chopped) and 1 jalapeno pepper (seeded and minced).

Makes 12 servings; 528 calories, 23 g protein, 30 g fat, 592 mg sodium, 63 mg cholesterol, 42 g carbohydrate and 206 mg calcium each.

Today's Food

Tomato stack turns salad into uplifting high-rise

The usual tossed salad have you down? Don't give up or go crazy with impatience for local vegetables.

Use what is available and go vertical with a stunning tower of contrasting tastes and textures. A budding culinary architect can build this single-unit structure.

Fresh Tomato Napoleon is a sensational salad built from thick slices of ripe tomato, tender salad greens and tangy cheese. Adapted from a recipe created by Robert Bagli, chef at Cafe Botanica in New York City, it capitalizes on a quick lemony dressing drizzled on greens and over the final salad, tied together with juicy tomatoes. It is ready in minutes.

For high style with a traditional horizontal approach to salad making, fry Gazpacho Salad - an invigorating combination of rosy tomatoes, cucumber, onion, bell pepper and packaged croutons. Mixed with Italian salad dressing, this recipe has the gusto of gazpacho, the refreshing Spanish soup full of garden satisfaction.

To make salads like these sparkle with flavor, use fully-ripe fresh tomatoes. If tomatoes are still pink, let them ripen at room temperature away from bright sunlight or direct

heat until fully red and slightly softened. Refrigerating tomatoes ruins their taste.

FRESH TOMATO NAPOLEON

4 medium tomatoes
3 tbsp. olive oil
1 1/2 tsp. lemon juice
1/4 tsp. dry mustard
1/4 tsp. salt
1/4 tsp. sugar
1/8 tsp. pepper
4 cups torn mixed baby

lettuces or other bite-size salad greens
1/2 cup (about 2 oz.) crumbled goat or feta cheese or shredded mozzarella cheese

Use tomatoes held at room temperature until fully ripe. Cut thin slice from bottom of each tomato and discard, then cut each remaining tomato in 4 slices.

In small bowl, mix oil, lemon juice, mustard, salt and sugar until well blended.

In medium bowl, toss greens with about 1 tablespoon dressing. On each of 4 plates, place bottom slice tomato. Sprinkle lightly with cheese and greens. Repeat

layering 3 more times, ending with top tomato slice. Drizzle with remaining dressing.

Serve as appetizer, with grilled beef or chicken, or on salad plate with cheese and fish salad.

Yields 4 servings.

GAZPACHO SALAD

5 cups diced tomato (about 5 medium)
1 cup diced green bell pepper
1 cup peeled, chopped cucumber
1/2 cup finely chopped red onion
1 tbsp. minced jalapeno pepper
1 cup seasoned croutons
1/2 cup Italian salad dressing
Lettuce leaves, if desired

Use tomatoes held at room temperature until fully ripe.

In large bowl, combine tomato, green pepper, cucumber, onion and jalapeno. Add croutons and dressing. Toss thoroughly to combine.

Serve on lettuce. Yields 4 to 6 servings, about 7 cups.

Recipe

KABOBS OF SALMON AND SHELLFISH

3/4 lb. salmon fillets, skinned
4 sprigs plus 1 tsp. chopped fresh dill
1 medium zucchini
1 medium yellow bell pepper
8 oz. sea scallops or medium shrimp
1/2 cup lime juice
1 tsp. Dijon mustard
Cucumber Dill Sauce

Cut salmon in 5-by-1 1/2-inch strips. Place sprig of dill on each strip and curl into spiral. Secure with toothpick.

Cut zucchini in half lengthwise, then slice diagonally 1/2-inch thick. Cut pepper in quarters, remove seeds and stem.

Cut each piece in half. After removing toothpicks, alternately thread salmon spirals, scallops, zucchini and peppers onto 4 skewers. Place in large shallow dish.

Combine lime juice, mustard and chopped dill. Pour over kabobs. Refrigerate, covered, 30 minutes.

Remove kabobs from marinade; discard marinade.

On grid coated with nonstick cooking spray, grill

kabobs 4 to 5 inches from hot coals, turning once, 4 to 5 minutes on each side until scallops are just milky and opaque and salmon begins to flake when tested with fork.

Cucumber Dill Sauce: Combine 1/2 cup fat-free mayonnaise; 1/4 cup plain yogurt; 1/2 cup finely chopped, peeled, seeded cucumber; 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley, and 1 tablespoon chopped fresh dill.

Chill until serving time. To serve, divide Cucumber Dill Sauce between 4 serving plates. Place kabob on top of sauce.

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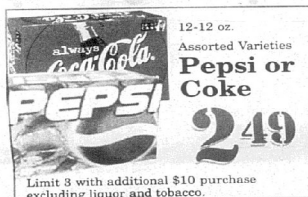
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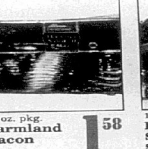
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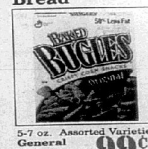
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Today's Food

Recipe

CARIBBEAN SKEWERED BEEF

- 1 lb. flank steak
- ¾ cup medium salsa or picante sauce
- 2 tbsp. fresh lime juice
- 2 tbsp. firmly packed brown sugar
- 4 tsp. minced ginger root

Slice meat crosswise diagonally in thin slices.

In large bowl, combine salsa, lime juice, sugar and ginger.

Toss meat with salsa marinade. Let stand at least 10 minutes, or cover and refrigerate up to 24 hours.

Thread meat on skewers. Grill or broil 3 to 4 minutes per side. Serve immediately. Makes 4 servings.

Variation: Skewer beef with pineapple chunks and green onion.

Tip: Cover ends of wooden skewers with aluminum foil or soak skewers in water 10 minutes before threading to prevent scorching.

Yummy yogurt plays harmony in cool salads

By Mary Schroeffer
Correspondent

Cool your tummy with well-chilled dairy foods. Yogurt is a great snack straight from the carton, but it also adds healthy and refreshing taste to fruit salad, frozen pops, shakes, even sandwiches and pizza.

WISE WAYS

Look for ways to eat four dairy foods each day. Women, particularly teens and young adults, need that much calcium to build bones and prevent osteoporosis. Yogurt is an excellent source of calcium, as well as riboflavin and protein. It can be low in calories and fat, too.

Store yogurt in the refrigerator. According to the National Dairy Council, yogurt is good up to 10 days beyond the "sell by" date stamped on the container.

For a quick frozen treat, blend fruit-on-the-bottom yogurt and freeze in small

paper or plastic cups or molds. Plain or flavored yogurt freezes best when blended with added fruit or fruit juice.

For a cooling beverage, create a fruit smoothie.

In a blender, puree ½ cup plain yogurt, ½ cup diced ripe fruit — such as banana, strawberry or peach — and 1 or 2 ice cubes until smooth. For a yogurt milkshake, blend ½ cup frozen fruit-flavored

yogurt with ½ cup low-fat milk until creamy.

Transform cantaloupe, honeydew, strawberries and other juicy summer fruits into a refreshing salad with the addition of plain yogurt and a flavorful blend of herbs and spices.

Home economist Mary Schroeffer is nutrition specialist for University Extension (University of Missouri system) in Franklin County.

SUMMER MELON IN YOGURT

- 1½ tbsp. lemon juice
- 2 tbsp. honey
- ¼ cup minced fresh basil
- 6 cups cantaloupe or other fruit, cut in 1½ inch cubes
- 2 tbsp. minced fresh mint
- ½ tsp. pepper
- 1 cup plain low-fat yogurt

In large bowl, combine lemon juice, 1 tablespoon honey and 2 tablespoons

basil. Add melon. Toss until fruit is coated.

In small bowl, combine remaining 1 tablespoon honey and 2 tablespoons sweet basil with mint, pepper and yogurt.

Refrigerate 15 minutes to blend flavors. To serve, place melon mixture in 2 serving bowls. Top with yogurt sauce.

Makes 2 large servings; 241 calories, 3 g fat, 2 g dietary fiber and 288 mg calcium each.

Deborah Kull, O'Fallon, is winner of this week's recipe contest for Not-a-Plain Cherry Pie. Her prize is dinner certificates at the Pasta House Co.

BLUE RIBBON COOK

She sees this cherry pie as an inheritance. She carries on her mother's tradition by making it for her 11-year-old daughter, who likes cherries in pie best. She thinks it is appropriate for summer, as a light dessert after a patio dinner. At the end of the recipe are adjustments she makes when she serves it to a family member with diabetes.

Send a single recipe by June 30 to: Rice Recipe Contest, Suburban Journals, 1714 Deer Tracks Trail, St. Louis, 63131. Entries will be judged for a prize of dinner certificates from Pasta House Co. It will be awarded each of the five Wednesdays during July, giving a bonus week for a possible win. Suggestions for entries include main

dish, side dish, dessert and appetizer.

Type or print the recipe legibly on one side of the paper. Include name, address and telephone number on the entry. Name the *Journal* you receive. Double-check the recipe as it is written for both amounts and directions. Include any variations that make this dish special.

If there is a history to the recipe, it will be considered part of the entry. Along with taste and eye appeal, it will be one of the criteria used in selecting winners.

Originality will be considered, although the recipe need not be original. If possible, name the recipe's source.

Winners are notified by mail. Duplicate entries will be considered on the basis of earlier entry or best compliance with the rules.

Contest winners may enter again six months after their prize-winning publication date.

NOT-A-PLAIN CHERRY PIE

- 1 pkg. (4 servings) cherry (or raspberry) gelatin
- 1/8 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup boiling water
- ½ cup chopped pecans
- 1 can (1 lb.) pitted red sour cherries
- 1 (9 inch) pastry shell, baked and cooled, or 9-inch graham cracker or chocolate cookie crumb crust

Prepare crust. Dissolve gelatin, cinnamon and sugar in boiling water.

Drain cherries, reserving juice. Add water to make ¾ cup.

Stir into gelatin. Chill until very thick, but not solid.

Stir in cherries and nuts. Pour into pie crust. Chill until firm.

Garnish with whipped cream or topping or vanilla ice cream.

Note: To adjust for less sugar, use sugar-free gelatin, 6 packets Sweet 'n Low sweetener instead of sugar, and serve with sugar-free ice cream.

Recipe

KOOL KIWIFRUIT SALAD

- 1 head butter lettuce, separated into leaves
- 1 head romaine lettuce, torn into small pieces
- 2 ribs celery, thinly sliced
- 3 kiwifruit, peeled, sliced ¼ inch thick
- 8 oz. jicama, peeled, diced
- 3 navel oranges, peel and pith removed, sliced ¼ inch thick
- 2 green onions, thinly sliced
- 1 small red onion, thinly sliced in rings

Dressing

In large bowl, combine butter and romaine lettuce, celery, kiwifruit, jicama, orange and onion.

Just before serving, pour Dressing over greens mixture.

Dressing: Whisk together juice of 2 medium limes and 1 medium orange, ½ teaspoon salt, finely ground pepper to taste and ¼ cup oil. Refrigerate, covered, until ready to use.

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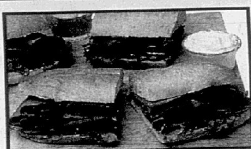


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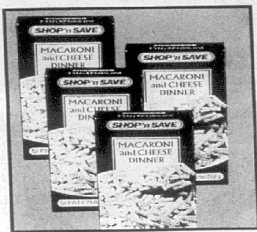
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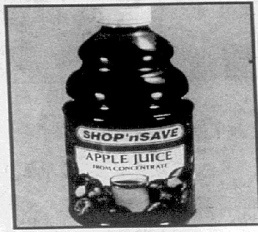
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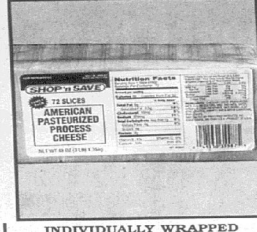
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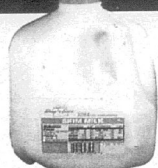
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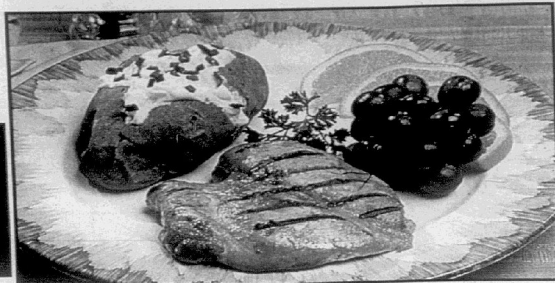
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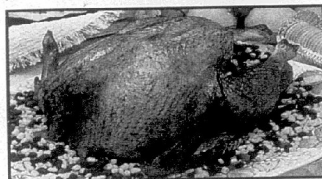
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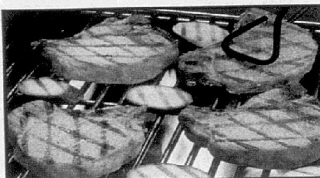
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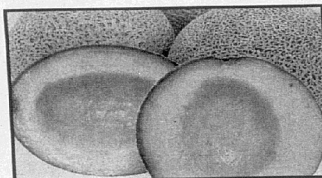
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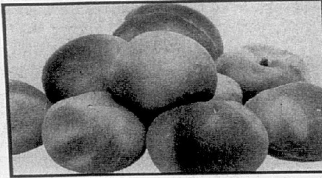
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Explorer Sport has two doors, two-wheel drive

By Tom Strongman

Why would anyone want a two-door, two-wheel-drive sport-utility vehicle? For a couple of reasons. In climates where winters are not severe, most sport-utility vehicles (SUVs) are hardly ever driven in four-wheel drive, and the two-door model is perfectly suitable for couples or singles who rarely haul adults in the back seat.

Oh, and one more reason. It costs less.

To check out this premise, I spent a few days behind the wheel of Ford's two-door Explorer Sport. It sits tall and rides on rugged all-terrain tires, just like four-wheel-drive. It seemed like the ride was slightly smoother despite the fact that its 10.7-inch wheelbase is nearly 10 inches shorter than the four-door.

Overall length is 10 inches less, too, which makes it more maneuverable. Whipping into tight parking spots is a piece of cake.

Inside, the cargo space is correspondingly shorter, but that was not nearly as much of a drawback as I expected it to be. The split-folding back seat is one of the slickest I have encountered, because the head rests pivot out of the way automatically as the seat folds forward. The cargo hold is 3 inches shy of 8 feet long, and that was plenty for my bike, which has become my yardstick for measuring haul-ability.

Accessing the cargo space is done with a new, rounder tailgate, which is the major improvement to the Explorer for 1998. It



glides open easily and doesn't take two hands to shut.

The passenger compartment is very similar to more expensive Explorers. The seats were upholstered in a tweed-like fabric that was comfortable in hot weather. The instrument panel has large, analog gauges, including a tachometer, while the radio and heating controls are clustered in a single center panel. The rear-wiper switch is on the right side of this center panel, but it would be handier for the driver if it were on the left side.

A center console divides the front seats. It has various sized bins and compartments, including a built-in tissue dispenser.

To me, two-door SUVs fall into the same category as sport coupes. The back seats are for occasional use at best because they are hard for adults to get into. Kids, or pets, on the other hand, have no problem. In fact, parents might actually rest easier with kids back there because there is no door to open.

Our test car was equipped with the 4.0-liter, 205-horsepower, single-overhead-cam (SOHC) V-6 engine. This engine is a delight in the full-size Explorer, and even more livelier in the short two-wheel-drive model because the overall vehicle weight is nearly 500 pounds less than the four-wheel-drive four-door. This engine's responsiveness belies its size. It powers away from stops with plenty of enthusiasm, and it revs with the same kind of smoothness one expects from a passenger car.

Of course, the five-speed automatic transmission does a good job of providing the right gear at the right time, and that, too, makes the engine feel strong.

In climates with moderate to mild winters, choosing a two-wheel-drive SUV is not much of a risk. For some, the cost of four-wheel-drive outweighs the number of days it actually is used, making a vehicle like this one a worthwhile choice.

The base price of our test vehicle was \$19,880. Options included the premium Sport package, luxury group, luggage rack, fog lamps, 4.0-liter SOHC engine and convenience group.

The sticker price was \$24,900. The basic warranty is for three years or 36,000 miles.

Point: In climates with mild winters, two-wheel-drive SUVs make a certain amount of sense, especially for people who never take them off-road. Although the two-door model is smaller inside, it is more maneuverable.

Counterpoint: Because it is small and not easy to get to, the back seat is best left for kids or pets.

Points & Plugs

Horsepower was modest in early days of racing

By Rick Stoff

If you could travel back in time and sneak an engine in your suitcase, you could win the Indianapolis 500. Even the engine out of your family economy sedan would enable you to streak ahead of the Duesenbergs and Millers in one of the most glamorous eras of racing.

There were many hurdles to overcome in the early days of racing engine design. The gasoline available then probably would gag your lawn mower and certainly didn't permit high-compression, high-horsepower performance.

Metallurgy was a limitation, too, according to the book "The Golden Age of the American Racing Car" by the late Griffith Borgeson. American foundries were used to casting metals good enough for bulky wagon axles and locomotive wheels, not lightweight, precision-machined racing engines. That's why many of the first legendary racing cars came from Europe, where fine metalworking was appreciated.

Computers? Of course not. Designs were derived from the seat of the engineer's pants. Horsepower advances required years of evolution and risks.

When Duesenberg produced its first eight-cylinder racing engine in 1919, it displaced 297 cubic inches and produced 114 horsepower. As Duesenbergs' Indy car engines evolved over the years, horsepower reached all of 160 horsepower, from 90 cubic inches, in 1927.

Today's 4.6-liter Ford Mustang Cobra engine is similar in displacement to the 1919 Duesenberg racing engine, at about 280 cubic inches. The Mustang, however, is good for 305 horsepower, more than two and a half times the most awesome racing propeller available during the early years of racing's Golden Age.

On the other hand, the 2.4-liter, 16-valve four-cylinder engine in your '98 Chevrolet Cavalier weighs in at 150 horsepower. You could have qualified for the 500 in 1919.

Harry Miller was considered an absolute genius in the day of pen-and-pencil research and development. His eight-cylinder, 91-cubic-inch Indianapolis car engine was an engineering marvel that hit the track with about 154 horsepower in 1926 and stretched to an unbelievable 285 horsepower in the 1928 season.

Today we have a similar number of horses — 275 — lugging Cadillac Eldorados down the highway.

Even the most basic of today's commuter mobiles cruise at speeds that would have been good enough for the Indy 500 up to the Depression era. According to Borgeson, the average speed at Indy started at 75 miles per hour in 1911, and didn't rise until 1914 and didn't reach 90 mph in 1922. Don't we know people who drive that fast now — in parking lots and driveways?

The first time the average Indianapolis speed hit 100 mph was in 1925, when finishing the 500-mile race was a challenge few cars could meet. Even your Cavalier can do 100 today, and sustain the pace for days on end. With the air conditioner and stereo cranked up.

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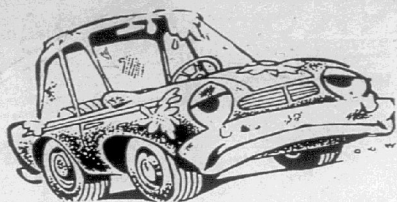
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Keeping older car running demands proper maintenance

As the average age of a vehicle soon will exceed nine years, typically with more than 100,000 miles on the odometer, the term preventive maintenance plays a greater role than ever in car ownership.

With proper care an aging vehicle should provide dependable transportation for another nine years and more. A big part of keeping an older car running trouble-free is to stay ahead of maintenance needs.

The Car Care Council cites a recent example: The owner of a high mileage van called for advice about radiator hoses. "I have just one bad radiator hose," the caller said. "My mechanic recommended that I have all of them

replaced while I'm at it. Isn't that pretty expensive, especially when the others appear OK?"

Many experts would agree with the her mechanic, possibly going even further to suggest that the drive belts (or single belt on a later model vehicle) should be replaced at that time.

This can be one of the best automotive investments one can make. It can save time and inconvenience, according to the Council. Here's why: When one hose is marginal in condition, others may be, too. Deterioration begins from within and is not visible until it is at an advanced stage. A leaking or ruptured cooling system hose can cause an engine to self-destruct in a

matter of a few miles.

You save labor costs by getting the whole job done at one time as opposed several trips to the repair shop.

As for belt replacement, consider that most vehicles now are equipped with the above mentioned single, serpentine belt, which does the work of three of four, so failure can be serious. If it's an older vehicle, labor costs are reduced by replacing all belts at the same time.

What about other parts? After nine years many components already will have

been replaced. If not, they should be inspected with an eye toward imminent retirement.

Marginal brake system parts or weak suspension parts also may be ready for replacement at this point, too. The battery, with a normal life span of three to four years, should be load-tested and replaced if the test so indicates.

Some auto service professionals, having the benefit of experience as well as available facilities, replace certain components on their personal vehicles as a

preventive measure. In addition to fuel, ignition and emission controls parts, they may replace the fuel pump and/or alternator.

What about inside the engine, e.g., valves, piston rings or bearings? Should they still be OK at the 100,000 plus mileage? The Council says it depends on the vehicle and the care it has had. With regular maintenance it's not unusual for an engine to be healthy far beyond that 100,000 mile mark.

If the engine is burning oil and making ominous noises, however, it needs attention.

A vehicle that's basically sound, looks good and suits the owner's needs can get a new lease on life with a remanufactured or rebuilt engine. This often is the most practical solution to refurbishing under the hood, with many of the above mentioned components included in the procedure.

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issues and rights, mediation techniques and supportive services — resulted from a statewide symposium sponsored by the Department and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois.

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